

**FRANCE HONORS CLOWNS**  
PARIS, Dec. 5.—Three clowns, the Fratellini brothers, have been awarded academic palms by the French Government, in recognition of their services to the public in spreading good cheer. This is the first time such an award has been made since the days of the court jesters.







## British Labor Party Offers Plan to Redeem Debt by Capital Levy

Should General Election Result in Its Favor, a Graduated Tax Would Be Laid on Fortunes Above £5000

**Special from Monitor Bureau**  
LONDON, Nov. 25.—In the unlikely event of the Labor Party being returned to power at the general election on Dec. 6, it is pledged, in the words of its election manifesto at once "to work out a scheme (in consultation with the Treasury experts) to impose a non-recurring, a graduated War Debt Redemption Levy on all individual fortunes in excess of £5000, to be devoted solely to the reduction of the debt."

Further details of the scheme as at present visualized by the Labor Party are as follows: the proposed graduated scale begins at 5 per cent on the first £1000 over and above the minimum of £5000, and rises by multiples of five to 60 per cent on fortunes over £1,000,000. Thus, a man worth £6000 would pay £50 or 1.2 per cent of his fortune, another worth £10,000 would pay £550 or 5.5 per cent, while a man worth £1,000,000 would pay £502,800 or a trifle over 50 per cent. The thorough-paced plutocrat with £10,000,000 would pay £5,902,800 or 59 per cent. The tax would be payable in three annual installments, either in cash, Government securities, or any other securities easily realizable on the stock exchange. Joint stock companies as such would be exempt from the operation of the levy, and there would be a special committee to deal with the inevitable "hard cases."

**System Simple in Theory**  
The way the proposed levy would be worked is, in theory, extremely simple. If the State received payment in Government securities it would cancel them at once; if it received payment in cash or in non-Government securities, it would of course have to invest the proceeds in Government stock on the open market before the cancellation. In both cases the country, including the payer of the tax, would benefit by reduced taxation, so that, viewing the transaction entirely by itself, in neither case would there be any direct loss to the community as a whole, for all that would happen would be a book entry transferring the sum of £3,000,000,000 (about one-half Great Britain's internal debt) from one part of the Nation's balance sheet to another.

Such a scheme, of course, lends itself to criticism. Apart from the morality or otherwise of confiscating the property of the individual, because it is believed that the community will benefit—a matter upon which perfectly honest people hold diametrically opposite opinions—practical men and theorists have yied with one another in producing reasons why it would not work. One will point to the dislocation which he feels sure would result from the vast amount of buying and selling of stock exchange securities that payment of the levy would involve; another will criticize the application of the levy in special cases, and show how, for instance, a man who earns a small income on a large amount of capital will have to pay more than one who earns a large income on a little capital and at the same time be less able to bear it; yet another will declare that as soon as people knew the levy was coming they would try and avoid it. Money would flow abroad; the exchange value of sterling would fall as it did in the parallel case of Switzerland, when a capital levy was under consideration; British credit, on which the material prosperity of the country depends, would be irreparably damaged. Others point to the capital levy in Czechoslovakia, the failure of which President Masaryk himself has frankly admitted, or in Greece, where the confiscation of half every banknote in circulation was followed by a serious economic crisis. These are only a few of the arguments which are adduced to prove that the capital levy would be a failure in Great Britain.

**Many Economists Favor Plan**  
On the other hand, the Labor Party is able to point to a strong array of economic talent which supports this scheme. There is, for example, Prof. A. C. Pigou of Cambridge University, and J. M. Keynes, the brilliant writer from the same university and college as Professor Pigou. Mr. Keynes in his book, "The Economic Consequences of the Peace," wrote, "I am one of those who believe that a capital levy for the extinction of debt is an absolute pre-requisite of sound finance in every one of the European belligerent countries." Even Mr. Lloyd George's Government dallied with a capital levy in 1919, as a result of the inquiries of the Select Committee on the Increases of Wealth (War). Had it been enacted then, and confined strictly to war fortunes, there are many of its present opponents who would have supported it, on the grounds that so many of those who stayed comfortably at home reaped enormous material

benefits, while those who fought remained poor.

Today, however, a levy on war fortunes only is out of the question, and the Labor Party's proposal includes within its scope all fortunes, whether acquired honestly or dishonestly, by individual effort or by inheritance. In this last connection it should not be forgotten that the estate duties, which range from 1 to 40 per cent on the capital value of all inherited property over £100, is in effect a capital levy, and no light one.

In the course of one short article it is naturally impossible to do more than indicate some of the arguments for and against the proposal, but such in brief is the scheme as it now stands before the British electorate. Even its supporters recognize that it is not a popular scheme, and Sidney Webb has recently declared that it stands less chance of acceptance now than in 1921. Nevertheless, the Labor Party clings tenaciously to the idea, and it is therefore probable that it will be heard of again in the not distant future.

## Wellesley Alumnae Building Promoters



Photo by Wellesley Studio  
Mrs. Sumner B. Pearson of Boston  
Member of Executive Committee of Student Alumnae Building Committee



Photo by Wellesley Studio  
Mrs. William Morton Wheeler  
Chairman of Original Committee that Began Work on Alumnae Building



Photo by Wellesley Studio  
Mrs. Homer H. Johnson  
President of Wellesley Alumnae Association

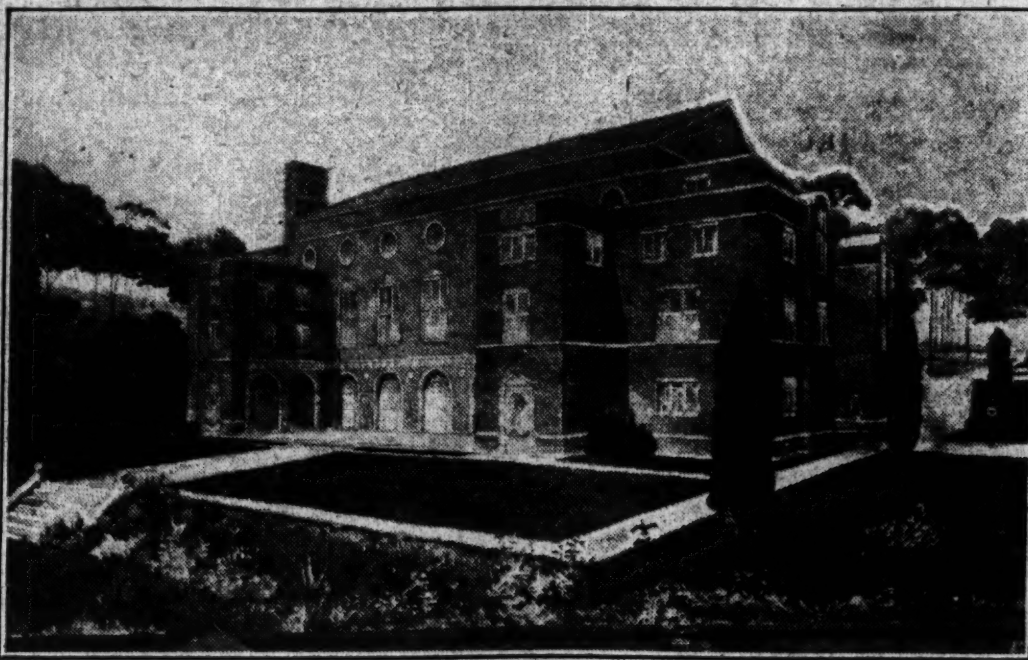


Photo by Wellesley Studio  
Mrs. Margaret H. Wright of Newton, Mass.  
Member of the Student Alumnae Building Committee

**SMITH TO PRESENT PLAY**  
NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Dec. 5 (Special).—Jeanne d'Arc, by Percy Mackaye, will be presented by the Smith College Dramatic Association this evening. The play, which has over 40 speaking parts, was chosen because it offers opportunity for prominent characterization of a few parts and minor characterization of many.

**MELLON PLAN INDORSED**  
HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 5.—Indorsement of the so-called Mellon plan of reduction of federal taxes has been given by the Manufacturers' Association of Connecticut. It was officially announced today. A minute of the Association's action has been sent to President Coolidge, Secretary Mellon and the State's congressional delegation.

## Replaces "The Barn" on Wellesley College Campus



Drawing by Cram & Ferguson, Architects.

New Student Alumnae Building Which Is Dedicated With Ceremonies

## WELLESLEY'S NEW BUILDING DEDICATED

Alumnae Association Formally Turns Over Handsome Structure to Head of College

WELLESLEY, Mass., Dec. 5 (Special).—Wellesley College, today, is transferring the center of its community and social life from The Barn, famous to many generations of Wellesley students, to the Student-Alumnae building which receives its official christening this afternoon. From all points of the Wellesley compass, alumnae, who for 15 years have worked against great odds toward this day, have gathered, with the present student body, for the celebration. And tonight, while the Boston Symphony Orchestra gives a dedicatory concert in the auditorium of the new building, the members of 75 Wellesley clubs scattered across the continent, will meet in gala reunions in 75 cities, to join in the event.

Out at Wellesley the dormitories are overcrowded with alumnae guests. It is doubtful whether students or alumnae are the more jubilant. For the alumnae today's dedication brings about the realization of the great "Wellesley Dream"—a community center befitting the school. For the students, interpreting the event from the point of view of their own interests, today means, "Prom" in the great dance hall, concerts and dramatics in the auditorium, and smaller, and more intimate parties in the guest tea rooms. But from whatever viewpoint, this, to Wellesley, is "The Day."

Although the proposals for the new building were first presented in 1908 at the June alumnae luncheon, innumerable delays have prevented their earlier execution. It was a pin-money project from the beginning; both students and alumnae uniting in every variety of a project, from selling sandwiches to holding bazaars, to raise the necessary funds. The final cost of the building is about \$450,000.

The program of the day's celebration began at 3 o'clock when the building, hastily cleared of scaffolding and building materials, was formally presented to the Alumnae Association by Mrs. Kingman Brewster of Springfield.

Mass., chairman of the building committee, which has done its work under the direction of the Alumnae Association. Mrs. Homer Johnson, president of the Alumnae Association, will accept the building and present it, in turn, to President Ellen F. Pendleton, who will accept it on behalf of the college. Ralph Adams Cram, consulting architect for the college, will speak of the architecture of the building in its relation to the spirit of the college. Reception arrangements for the day are in the hands of Mrs. Vernon B. Swett of Newton, Mass., and the officers of the Massachusetts Wellesley Clubs are acting as hostesses. The concluding feature of the day will be the dedicatory concert of the Boston Symphony Orchestra in the auditorium tonight.

The auditorium of the new building will seat 1500. The stage, which henceforth will be the scene of Wellesley's dramatic productions and concerts, was constructed according to the advice of experts in theatrical construction. The dance hall, which rivals the auditorium as the center of greatest interest in the new building, is on a lower level than the assembly hall. Its floor is of maple construction and French windows open from the room onto a terrace leading down to the lake. Several of the smaller rooms in the building are memorial rooms. One of them is to provide a working library for dramatic students in the college; another will be used as a guest luncheon room; and there are several smaller rooms, the exact use of which has not yet been determined.

## KING'S VISIT INCLUDES POLITICS AND TEETH

By Special Cable  
BELGRADE, Dec. 5.—King Alexander suddenly left yesterday for Paris. The Government issued a communiqué to the effect that the aim of the journey was a consultation with the King's dentist.

The press ascribes to the journey a political character, among other questions to be discussed during the King's visit being that of reparations.

Cherbourg.—Sailing for New York on the Majestic today are J. P. Morgan, Edward R. Stettinius, Willis H. Booth, and the former American Ambassador, Hugh C. Wallace with Mrs. Wallace and their son.

## EXTENSIVE BUILDING PROGRAM FOR DELAWARE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Free Education Through University for All Children, With Year in France for Most Studious, Proposed

WILMINGTON, Del., Dec. 1 (Special Correspondence).—At a meeting of the Delaware Service Citizens held here recently Pierre S. du Pont, president of the organization, assured the members that he and his associates were working out a program for the construction of new public school buildings which would be presented to the next State Legislature (in 1925) for ratification. The plan, it was understood, contemplates replacing all the unfit school buildings in the city and State with modern, fully equipped structures.

The work, which would require an outlay of more than \$15,000,000, would give every Delaware child the opportunity for a free education in the public schools, the University of Delaware, and, to the most studious members of the university's junior classes, a year's study in France without cost. It is not proposed to rebuild all the Delaware schools at the same time, and the plan may carry the work through five or eight years, or until all but the buildings erected within a decade have been replaced.

The Delaware School Auxiliary Association, of which the Service Citizens is the parent organization, has spent \$2,269,263 to date, and retains \$37,658 to meet further expenditures for the present year. Thus far, according to the report, submitted at the Service Citizens' recent meeting, the association has made a remarkable record of achievement during 1923. It has constructed a temporary dormitory at the woman's college of the University of Delaware, has under way the erection of four brick schools in rural Delaware, and a large consolidated school for the town of St. Georges and adjacent rural sections; erected an Industrial Arts Building for the State College for Colored Children and a residence for the head of the institutions; is superintending the erection of a new high school building in the town of Smyrna, and is completing six smaller country school buildings.

**Recent Accomplishments**  
The auxiliary soon will start work on two one-room schools for white children and on one for colored students. It will construct a memorial library at Delaware University at a cost of \$260,000 and will contribute \$120,000 toward the erection of a high school building at Newark, that is to cost \$280,000. In addition to these undertakings the auxiliary has contributed approximately \$800,000 for the erection of a new public school in this city, and for furnishing plans and superintending the building of two similar structures costing at least \$1,200,000 which Wilmington has obligated itself to put up within two years.

as a condition of the proposal of the auxiliary. In all, this organization has built and fully equipped 104 school buildings in Delaware in the last three or four years, and in addition to all the outlay noted it has met almost half the cost of new schools in other downstate towns, representing a total outlay of more than \$1,000,000.

Prior to the organization and activity of the Service Citizens, Delaware had almost reached the vanishing point of her public schools especially in the rural sections. Many of the buildings were aptly described unfit, and there seemed neither inclination nor money to better such unfortunate conditions. Under the leadership of the Service Citizens there has been an awakening of interest in education, and the Legislature appropriates approximately \$2,000,000 yearly for the public schools of the three small counties comprising Delaware, and for the maintenance of Delaware University which also is an agricultural college.

**Foreign Study Project**  
Equal interest in the education of both races is shown in the report of the association, as provision in 45 new schools of 73 rooms has been made for 2910 colored children at a cost of almost \$500,000. The money expended by the Service Citizens in addition to the generous appropriations of the Legislature, the organization having a perpetual income of \$90,000 a year which comes from an investment of \$1,500,000 donated by the president of the organization.

The Service Citizens' meeting was informed through the president of the University of Delaware that the foreign educational project inaugurated by the university, and which has aroused nation-wide interest, has been highly satisfactory and successful from every viewpoint. The experiment in foreign schooling was so satisfactory that the Service Citizens voted \$4800 to meet the expenses of a Delaware group, thus indicating the continuation of the plan, with probably increasing classes year by year, and possibly including young women students of the Women's College. The Service Citizens have concluded, through these reports, that the foreign educational project is not only feasible, but that it will be of immense benefit to students in these days of increasing international commercial and professional intercourse.

**SIR W. MACKENZIE PASSES ON**  
TORONTO, Dec. 5.—Sir William MacKenzie, leading Canadian financier and railroad builder, passed away today. Sir William was a member of the well-known firm of MacKenzie & Mann, railroad constructors, and was president of the Canadian Northern Railway.



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## MAYORS ELECTED IN ELEVEN CITIES

Voters in Twenty-One Massachusetts Municipalities Name Various Officials

Municipal elections were held yesterday in 21 Massachusetts cities, 11 of which chose mayors for one or two-year terms. Where mayors were elected the interest in the voting ran highest and the numbers of citizens going to the polls was largest. Mayors were elected as follows:

Taunton—Leo H. Coughlin, re-elected (unopposed).  
Leominster—Henry F. Sawtelle, re-elected (unopposed).  
Gloucester—William J. MacInnes, re-elected.  
Salem—George J. Bates.  
Pittsfield—Charles W. Power, Rep. re-elected.  
Newburyport—Michael Cashman, re-elected.  
Northampton—Edward J. Woodhouse, Dem.  
Brookton—William A. Bullivant, Rep.  
Holyoke—John F. Cronin, re-elected.  
Chicopee—Joseph M. Grise, re-elected.  
Marlboro—James M. Hurley.

In the Brookton election the Democratic administration was overturned in a campaign based on Mayor Frank A. Manning's activities during the strike of shoe workers early in the year when nearly 200 persons were arrested during strike demonstrations. William A. Bullivant, Republican, was elected by more than 1000 majority, and the City Council, formerly solidly Democratic, becomes Republican except for one member.

Salem polled the largest vote in its history as a city in electing George J. Bates, a state Representative, as Mayor over Mayor Dennis J. Sullivan, who has held office for six years. Representative Bates conducted his campaign on the platform of prohibition enforcement, promising to close bars and thwart bootleggers. His majority was more than 4800. In Gloucester mayoralty majorities also were broken when Mayor William J. MacInnes was re-elected for a second term, defeating former Mayor Percy W. Wheeler by more than 1600 votes. In President Coolidge's home city of Northampton a Smith College professor, running as a Democrat, was elected by a majority of 70. Prof. Edward J. Woodhouse, the mayor-elect, has been professor of government at Smith since 1919. He is a native of Virginia and before coming to Smith taught at the University of Wisconsin, the University of Chicago, Richmond College and Yale. His Republican opponent was William Cordes, manufacturer. In Pittsfield Mayor Charles W. Power, Republican, added to his 1922 majority. Fall River, which had no mayoralty election, reduced the Republican majority in the city council, electing three Democratic councilmen at large in place of Republicans. Majorities in every ward were so close as to make contests probable.

Elections for city council and school committees were held in Springfield, Westfield, Fitchburg, Gardner, Fall

River, Lowell, Haverhill, Waltham, Quincy and Peabody.

The proposal to license sales of non-intoxicating beverages was adopted in Springfield, Westfield, Northampton, Brockton, and Fitchburg and defeated in Salem, Newburyport, Waltham, Quincy and Gloucester.

## DISTURBING RADIO NOISES NULLIFIED

Neutrodyne Sets Exhibited at Boston Exposition

Elimination of the buzzing, squeaking, and kindred sounds that have long held an unwelcome place in radio transmission seems at last an accomplished fact, thanks to the introduction of neutrodyne sets, several examples of which are to be seen this week at the Boston Radio Exposition at Horticultural Hall. As its name implies, neutrodyne neutralizes or nullifies the effect of static electricity in the atmosphere, a factor against which radio manufacturers from the first have had to combat.

The improvement that is said to produce the same beneficial effect as neutrodyne is a combination tube and crystal set, the message being received in radio-frequency waves through the tube, then shifted to the crystal receiver. In this way all disturbing noises are done away with except, of course, any natural sounds that may be picked up in transit.

### Song Recital in Afternoon

The feature of this afternoon's activities at Horticultural Hall, where the exposition is being held, was a song recital by Miss Ruth Hall George, contralto, with Miss Grace Brown at the piano. This was preceded by an organ recital. A vocal concert by soprano, tenor and baritone will lead the evening's entertainment.

The motion-picture feature attending the show has proven even more popular than expected, for, instead of the four screenings daily as originally planned, a continuous performance is now in order. These pictures, explanatory of radio work, include a comic cartoon, "The Mystery Box," which, in its own way, traces the path of a message from the moment it is broadcast until it comes in through headphones or loud speaker.

Much interest was caused last night by the sending of a message to Donald B. MacMillan, the Arctic explorer now in winter quarters. The message, written by Sheldon H. Fairbanks, manager of the show, was as follows: "Donald B. MacMillan, WNP-7's to the bunch aboard the Bowdoin. Show going well. All interested in your messages. Hope to meet you on way back, Sheldon Fairbanks." A transcribed message received from the explorer, who is within 200 miles of the North Pole, has been enclosed in a massive block of ice. Another from the same source is expected at any time now.

Beginning in the early afternoon, great crowds were the order yesterday at the exposition, and it has been a difficult matter to clear the building even a half hour after the official closing time. The exhibitors say they expect to do a "land-slide business" at the hall the latter part of the week.

## Dollies Holding "Open House" at State House Attract Throng

1200 Dolls to Go to State Children During Holiday—Governor to Visit "Dolly Land"

Dolls with smiling faces and winsome ways are hosts again today at the State House. They are holding open house to residents of Massachusetts in room 436 until 5 p. m. Officials of the State House are special guests of honor.

There are about 1200 of the dolls who came at the call of the young women in the division of child guardianship in the Massachusetts State Department of Public Welfare, which has supervision over the children who are cared for by the State, and are destined to be given at Christmas time to the 1200 little girls whom the State has taken especially under its wing.

They are a joyous multitude and the soundless message that seems to echo through the large room and run out into the corridors is the gladness and love they are going to bring to 1200 little girls at Christmas.

Even state senators and representatives heard the call and responded and seemed loath to depart, once they entered the presence of the gay little throng, and it is rumored that it has reached the Governor himself, and that he has given instructions to his secretary that nothing whatever is to be allowed to interfere with a visit by him to the dolls.

In silks and satins, laces, velvets and gingham, the dolls are dressed, each one seeming more lovable, if possible, than any other. They show themselves at school, sitting at their desks with their slates before them, intent on studying their A B C's, the teacher in front. It is evident they know their lesson, for their hands are up eagerly to tell the teacher the answer to her question. Another group of dollies are dancing around a Maypole and a lot of others are hanging over a fence looking on.

That dolls like winter as well as they like summer is shown by another group that are out with their sleds and skates in the snow.

A whole tableful of dolls is composed entirely of babies, babies in long dresses and babies in rompers, and they are the best behaved babies one can very well see, for not one of them is crying.

There is another remarkable thing about the dolls. While happily intent

on little girls, they have not forgotten the little boys who also are wards of the State. But little boys do not care for dolls. Therefore the dollies have assumed charge over big boxes into which contributions are dropped by those who wish to buy toys for the boys, and a whole procession of dolls is shown going up to one with gifts of money. From the appearance of a mantel from which long stockings hang, it looks as though some of the things have already come for little boys, and they, too, can be assured of a happy Christmas.

Miss Catherine E. Smith, Miss Casselena M. Sleeper and Miss Alice M. McManus of the division of child guardianship are in charge of the dolls. They have been assisted by most of the State House women and some of their friends, each of whom has brought one or more of the dolls and dressed them as a Christmas gift to Massachusetts' little girls.

## View From Mt. Holyoke Campus Stirs Muse in Japanese Student

Miss Fumiko Mitani Contributes Poem in English to the First Issue This Year of the Shin

SOUTH HADLEY, Mass., Dec. 5 (Special).—When Miss Fumiko Mitani of Tokyo, now a student at Mount Holyoke College, sent in her poem "From the Prospect Hill" to the editorial board of the freshman paper, which has just made its first appearance this year under the title, The Sphinx, she submitted the first poem she had ever written, whether in English or in her native Japanese.

A graduate of the Woman's Christian College in Tokyo, where she specialized in English literature and carried off the highest honors in her class, Miss Mitani not only studied English throughout the five years of her high school course at the Joshi-gakuin, or Girls' Mission School, and the three years of her college career, but immediately after her graduation, assisted in teaching English in a boys' primary school in her native city.

Prospect Hill, the scene which inspired the poem, is one of the beauty spots of a college campus, the loveliness of which comes as a surprise to the visitor. She has seen this wooded hill sheltering the college from the east, clad for many an American student with a certain obscuring familiarity, with a refreshing freshness, and the feeling of wistfulness and aspiration which its beauty evoked in her is expressed with a sincerity and a simplicity equally refreshing. The poem reads thus:

FROM THE PROSPECT HILL  
Do you ask me why I hurry to the Hill  
When the sun is high?  
Oh, just to hear the music of the plain.  
I sit upon the grass, and look toward the  
horizon where the heaven touches  
the earth.  
And the music, first soft like the mur-  
mur of bubbles upon the seashore,  
And then rising and swelling like an  
ocean tide,  
At last fills the earth and the sky.  
And every cloud and tower and woods,  
floated and swayed by the waves of  
melody.  
Plays its part, solemn, and, or joyous,  
But it is a dumb rock amid the ocean of  
harmony.  
Trying to catch the surrounding tune in  
vain.  
Must sit and sigh, half in rapture and  
half in despair.

Do you ask me why do I hasten to the  
Hill again when the sun is gone?  
Oh, just to speak with the Evening Star.  
I heard, some nights ago, girls talking:  
They made a wish when they saw the  
first star.  
But I did not know how to utter my  
wish then.  
It seemed too large for my thoughts to  
express.  
And I, puzzled, looked up toward the  
Evening Star.  
And oh, what a joy! In her pure twinkle  
I read my hope, nearly forgotten!  
(Since that time, as soon as the dew  
falls on the grass,  
I hasten to the Hill and make my wish  
known.)  
I know she carries my prayer to the  
Heaven.  
When I stand upon the earth with my  
arms toward her, wishing for the  
light so pure.)

I came back to my room half unsatisfied—  
For the music escapes me and the star  
is afar.  
But my heart kindled when I opened  
my Bible.  
And found the word, "Now we see  
through a glass darkly; but then  
face to face."  
Yes, the day will come when I join the  
music of the plain and sit by the  
star like two twins.  
Meanwhile let the music resound, and  
let the star shine;  
I would not be discouraged,  
For now I know who it is that sent  
me the music and the wish.

To one who wondered how Miss Mitani came to write her first poem in a foreign idiom, she explained that it was a much more difficult thing to write a short Japanese poem.  
"A short Japanese poem," she said, "must have only either 17 or 31 syllables, no more, and I find it hard to condense my thought to so few words. In modern Japanese poetry, of course, there is some free verse, and longer poems, but again, in Japan the language of verse is more difficult than the language of prose. The language used for poetry is an ancient, classical language, not the modern, colloquial Japanese."

With the model of the Japanese lyric before her, Miss Mitani was inclined to depreciate the value of her first attempt at English verse. "I feel so ashamed of it," she said. "There are many beautiful Japanese poems writ-

ten in 17 or 31 sounds, very, very wonderful, and very deep."

Some day Miss Mitani hopes to be able to express herself in this difficult medium. In the meantime, she wishes to continue reading and writing English verse and translating stories for the Japanese boys whom she expects to teach when she returns to her native land.



Photo by Harry Gordon, Holyoke, Mass.  
Miss Fumiko Mitani  
Japanese Student at Mt. Holyoke College

## TRAFFIC PROBLEMS UNDER DISCUSSION

Carriers and Shippers Seek Means of Freight Betterments

Technical questions arising between shippers and carriers were discussed at the two sessions today of the Freight Claim Prevention Congress which opened yesterday at the Copley-Plaza in connection with the Eastern Claim Conference of the American Railway Association, freight claim division, and under the auspices of the New England Shoe and Leather Traffic Council.

A shipper's docket of questions was offered for the consideration of the delegates at this morning's session at which Carlton R. Blades, chairman of the Traffic Council, presided. Traffic managers outlined some of the problems that confront them in adjusting damaged shipments, and in arriving at fair settlements with the railroads or express companies. Freight charges, proper forms for bills of lading, carload and less than carload lots, agreements and contracts were all discussed in a general way.

A. J. Roberts, transportation department of the United Shoe Machinery Corporation, brought up three points: Damage through improper packing or

faulty manufacture, given as a cause for breakage by a carrier, should depend somewhat upon the experience of other carriers in handling the product; inspection bureaux, by being allowed to change classification of freight in transit without notifying the shipper, make what appears to be an overcharge.

Other questions were presented by C. H. Davis, traffic manager of the W. H. McElwain Company; C. E. Vose, assistant traffic manager of the S. A. Woods Machine Company; A. N. Payne, transportation manager of the Associated Industries; and H. A. Hood, traffic manager, of the Brockton Chamber of Commerce.

At the session this afternoon the railroads and express companies were given their turn to ask questions, and invite discussion with the shippers of problems which confronted them. Special attention was given to cases where goods are stolen while in transit. With active co-operation from the shippers, the railroads declare they can overcome many of the small difficulties that confront both themselves and the concerns using their service.

The congress closes tomorrow with committee meetings at which it is hoped the results of the discussions will be crystallized into useful policies to be of assistance in bringing better understanding of each other's problems to both carrier and shipper.

## REVENUE CUTTER TO KEEP RIVER OPEN

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 5 (Special).—Mayor A. R. Day has received assurances that the United States revenue cutter Osagee will remain in the Penobscot River to keep the port of Bangor open as long as possible for coal barges.

There are still 12 barges consigned to Bangor which the dealers expect to be able to get here before it becomes necessary to ship the coal up the river by rail. The dealers hope to have everybody supplied with coal before the severe cold weather arrives. Mayor Day has received letters of co-operation from Senators Frederick Hale and Bert M. Fernald, and Representatives Ira G. Hersey and Harold M. Sewall.

## TELEPHONE LINES ISLE WITH MAINLAND

BAR HARBOR, Me., Dec. 5 (Special).—Swan's Island, with its 500 people and 80 telephone subscribers, is again connected by telephone. The new cable laid last week puts the little settlement in touch by wire for the first time since during the World War when the cable went out of use and was not repaired because of war conditions.

The little island lies off Mt. Desert a distance of four miles to the southwest of Bass Harbor Head. The Swan's Island Telephone Company is an independent company, its lines, of course, connecting with the New England Telephone.

## Hunnewell Garden Wins Gold Medal

Contains Number of Rose Species Uncommon in New England

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sargent Hunnewell of Natick have just been awarded the gold medal of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society for a remarkable garden which has been developed on their estate known as "The Cedars," according to an announcement made today. The interest centers around a rose garden of charming design, which contains a large number of standard or tree roses not common in New England. The garden nestles in the midst of a woodland, and is surrounded by many unusual shrubs and trees, including some immense native rhododendrons and azaleas, together with hollies, Japanese yews, and similar trees.

The Massachusetts Horticultural Society has not made an award of this kind for several years.

## DR. FAUNCE INDORSES UNIVERSITY CLUB

W. H. P. Faunce, president of Brown University, has endorsed the plans for The New University Club of Boston, which college graduates, working as volunteers, are now developing, with headquarters at 24 Federal Street. "I am happy," Dr. Faunce has written to the committee, "to see the prospectus of The New University Club of Boston, and to note the admirable location, the fine building proposed, and the large plans for the public service. The letter continued:

I am persuaded that our university clubs throughout the country have erred in not bringing to the front the idea of the service of the community and the country at large. If the university clubs are merely social—simply for the purpose of providing food and lodging and comfortable chairs—their existence has only a doubtful justification. But if they are to bring together the men of many colleges, in order to achieve, through the intimacies of personal friendship, co-operation in the service of the country; then they will occupy a sphere that no other organization is attempting to enter. I wish you all success to your plans.

### CHILDREN'S GAMES STUDIED

Recreation with special reference to games for children is being given special study at the present time by workers connected with the Boston Social Union. At the regular meeting of the Union next Wednesday morning at the North End Union it will form the chief subject for discussion. An hour of games and folk dancing by children under 10 years of age will be followed by a discussion of programs for little children, after which fall and winter outings, including the Christmas vacation, are to be considered. Games for girls of intermediate school age are to be taken up at later meetings.

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## VOTERS WILL DECIDE EQUAL PAY QUESTION

N. E. A. Against Discrimination  
Between Men and Women  
Teachers of Same Training

Equal pay for equal service of school teachers is a policy to which the National Education Association is committed officially, and the experience of cities where it has been in operation for years confirms the soundness of the plan, according to official information received by the High School Women's Club, which is urging this equality in Boston. It is sending this information to women's clubs and other organizations in answer to a statement, previously sent out by men teachers opposed to the equal pay idea, which stated that the N. E. A. also was opposed to it and that such a policy would have a disastrous effect on the schools. The question comes before the Boston voters as a referendum next Tuesday.

The telegram from Miss Olive M. Jones, president of the N. E. A., to Miss Helen F. Keefe, president of the High School Women's Club, reads:

"The National Education Association, in Section 8 of its platform, is officially committed to the following principle: 'Equal salary for equal services to all teachers of equivalent training, experience and success.' This platform of the N. E. A. takes precedence over committee reports which represent the opinion of committee members, rather than the official attitude of the association."

A letter from Mr. Frank E. Spaulding, of the graduate school of the department of education of Yale University to Dr. David D. Scannell, chairman of the Boston School Committee, states:

"I am in favor of equal pay on principle, and several years' experience as superintendent in Minneapolis and Cleveland, where equal pay has been in practice for many years, confirms the soundness of the principle. In those cities I found no evidence to indicate that equal pay was tending to eliminate men or to lower the quality of men employed. Indeed, I believe that the percentage of men in those cities was rather larger than it is in Boston. It takes precedence over committee reports which represent the opinion of committee members, rather than the official attitude of the association."

## Symposium Audience Hears, Sees —and Now Understands "Sound"

Harvard Professors Explain Physical, Biological, and  
Harmonious Aspects of Their Subject

"Sound," which is sometimes called music and sometimes called many other things, was variously and eruditely discussed from the standpoint of physics, biology and harmony, by three Harvard professors, last evening, at Emerson Hall, Harvard University. Recognizing that many subjects are too large for the individual scholar, the Harvard Chapter of Gamma Alpha, a national graduate science society, has instituted a series of symposia at which subjects may be discussed from their various aspects.

Showing that there is a demand for knowledge when the dry-as-dust subject has been blown off and it is placed before the public in a popular and an understanding manner, an enthusiastic audience of 600 taxed the capacity of the hall and an overflow meeting would have been held, had it been possible to move the elaborate physical equipment easily.

The first speaker, F. A. Saunders, professor of physics, discussed the cause and the transmission of sound. The subject was then taken up by G. H. Parker, professor of zoology and director of the zoological laboratory, who explained some of the most accepted theories on the reception of sound. The concluding speaker, Dr. A. T. Davison, professor of music, and conductor of the Harvard Glee Club, traced briefly the development of sound into music and the development of music itself. Harlow Shapley, director of the Harvard College Observatory, introduced the speakers.

Professor Saunders in beginning the symposium said that the sources of sound are from vibrant bodies, on which much dependence is placed by the present civilization. Musical instruments, phonographs, telephones, fog horns on which safety at sea depends, are some of the most common examples. Emanating from a vibrant body, sound is then transmitted through the air. That is made possible by the fact that air is built up of tiny particles which are always in very rapid movement, and a disturbance of any kind is overheard against them so that they will bump against one another causing sound to be quickly transmitted.

If one could see an air particle under ordinary conditions, real perception would be impossible because of the tremendous speed. Science, however, has invented a machine, the phonograph, which electrically converts sound vibrations into light and enables one to literally see sound. By speaking loudly or by making more distinct combinations of tones in the large horn attached to the machine, the horizontal light wave, thrown on the screen in the form of a light curve was made to vibrate vertically more

tion are to be presented at an open meeting of the political department of the Women's Republican Club of Massachusetts beginning at 11 a. m. next Saturday at the Copley Plaza. Miss Keefe is to speak for the affirmative and Albert F. Reed, president of the Boston Schoolmen's Economic Association, is to take the negative side. Candidates for the City Council and School Committee have been invited to be present and speak.

William G. O'Hare, member of the School Committee, is to speak in favor of equal pay at the Practical Arts High School this evening, at 8 o'clock, and Miss Keefe will talk on the subject at the Girls' City Club at the same hour. Tomorrow at 3 p. m. Miss Keefe is to speak again at a joint meeting of the East Boston League of Women Voters, and the Woman's Club of the East Boston High School Center. Members of the Women's City Club are to have both sides of the question presented to them at a meeting to be held in Pilgrim Hall at 7:45 this evening.

## MOTOR VEHICLES HELD UNSEIZABLE

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 5 (Special).—The New Hampshire Supreme Court has given a decision, by a vote of four to one, that motor vehicles used for the transportation of liquor contrary to law, may not be confiscated to the State. In the case in question, Octave Nadeau pleaded guilty to violating the liquor laws and the question was whether his automobile was "paraphernalia" under the law.

The court held that "illegal keeping" of liquor means in casks, bottles, and other containers and the law does not "intend to provide for the forfeiture of motor vehicles." The decision may lead to the attempt of many owners of forfeited cars to recover their property.

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## CHARTER REVISION TOPIC IN MELROSE

Mayor's Committee Meets and  
Holds a General Discussion  
of the Needs

Revision of the present city charter of Melrose, an instrument which has been in operation for some 30 years or, possibly, the adoption of an entirely new plan of government, is now under consideration in that city. A committee of about 40 representative men, four from each ward and aldermen from each ward as well, met last night in High School Hall at the call of Paul H. Provandie, Mayor of Melrose, to consider what action, if any, should be taken.

The finding of such a committee, appointed by Mayor Provandie though it was, is merely advisory. That this was exactly what he desired, was made clear by the Mayor when he opened the meeting preparatory to turning it over to Ray Wilson, president of the board of aldermen, who acted as chairman.

Discussion was general, it being led by the Mayor; Harry C. Woodill, former Representative of Melrose in the Legislature and chairman of the legislative committee on cities for several years while on Beacon Hill, and Charles H. Gilmore, present Representative of the 22nd Middlesex district.

It was decided that the Mayor and Chairman Wilson should appoint a sub-committee, they to determine its size, to make a careful study of the present charter of Melrose and report back to the general charter committee and recommendations for changes in the instrument which they may deem it advisable to make. Another meeting of the general charter committee will not be held until the sub-committee, which is to be named at once, has studied the present charter and come to some understanding as to what desirable changes, if any, are to be recommended.

The discussion of the charter, now in operation in Melrose, last night developed the fact that there is scant demand for a new charter in the city. The power of appointment and removal by the Mayor, subject to the approval of the board of aldermen, of executive officials was believed by many to be a provision which should be made in the present charter. The reduction in size of the board of aldermen from 21 to nine was another change also meeting with favor from general speakers, while the giving of additional financial power to the school committee whereby they could have greater control over the school budget and the location, building or remodeling of school buildings was also proposed.

It was brought out that, while the present charter is satisfactory to Melrose citizens, these changes noted and others might be discussed thoroughly and some of them possibly made to the great advantage of the city.

Among the speakers at last night's meeting were Angier L. Goodwin, former Mayor of Melrose; Charles M. Cox, former state senator; George E. Damon; A. M. Tibbets, former president of the board of aldermen; Arthur Davis, city solicitor; Frederick Ellis, former alderman; Herman H. Stuart, superintendent of schools, and Dr. John Dike, long time member of the board of aldermen and alternate delegate to the Chicago National Republican convention in 1920.

## MAIL MEN PLANNING FOR INCREASED WAGE

Formulation of a campaign to educate the public to the need of higher wages for postal employees, with special reference to those in the railway mail division, was the purpose of a meeting of the Boston branch of the Railway Mail Clerks' Association at the Quincy House last night. It is planned to hold a public meeting at Faneuil Hall in the near future.

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## POLITICS CHARGE IN SCHOOLS DENIED

Providence Mayor Says Proposed  
Inquiry Will Be  
Started in Few Days

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 5 (Special).—Proof that no sinister effort is being made to stifle the movement to investigate this city's school system for political purposes will be furnished within a few days by an actual start on the inquiry, according to Mayor Joseph H. Gainer. The mayor indicated that within 10 days competent investigators will have been retained and before the end of the present month the investigation will be well under way.

The Rhode Island General Assembly will convene in the first week of the new year and the feeling among educators who are interested in obtaining relief from present conditions is that enabling legislation, which may possibly be recommended, should go before the present Legislature. Unless it does, the results of the proposed investigation may not be authorized as charter changes before the spring of 1925.

The proposed investigation has been precipitated by the report of the Educational Council of Civic Clubs, which found that schools were under-taught; that there were fewer special teachers than were necessary; that in certain grades teachers were underpaid and, generally, that efficiency was lost. The primary criticism was that the city appropriated too small a sum annually to make its schools efficient. Since its report investigations have shown to a special city council committee that equipment was inadequate for teaching in numerous schools; that technical pupils, devoting energies to highly skilled trades, were taught on antiquated machinery, and that maps in many schools did not show the existence of the Panama Canal. Some of these defects are being gradually remedied, it is said.

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Program Arranged for Explorer's  
Welcome to Boston

The Norwegians of Greater Boston yesterday completed arrangements for their welcome to Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, who arrives in Boston Thursday to speak in Symphony Hall on "The Storm Centers of Europe" that night.

Dr. Nansen will be met at the North Station on his arrival from Montreal at 7:30 Thursday morning by committees and members of the Norwegian Society of Boston, the Norwegian Society of Boston, Nordlyst Lodge, Sons of Norway, and the Norwegian Women's Literary Club.

A distinctly Scandinavian flavor will be given to the Symphony Hall meeting. Dr. Nansen will be escorted to the stage by 10 girls in Norwegian costumes, and the men's choir of the Norwegian Congregational Church of Roxbury will sing the Norwegian national anthem before the address and "America" at the close. The choir is conducted by Fred Gronberg. The accompaniment will be played by Walter Hansen.



## FORD SYSTEM TURNS TO TEXTILE PROJECT

Motor Car Production Methods to Be Applied to Cloth by Detroit Manufacturer

Application of Ford methods to textile production, as outlined in preliminary work and experiments conducted by Lockwood, Greene & Co., of Boston, for the Ford Motor Company, indicate that textile history is in the making. The Ford Motor Company, as has been announced, is to build a textile mill at Detroit, for the production of cloth to be used as the backing for the artificial leather for seats and tops in Ford cars.

"There is no question that the cotton manufacturing process readily lends itself to the Ford method," Kenneth Moller, director of Lockwood, Greene & Co., said. "It is impossible for us to say, yet, exactly how Mr. Ford will be manufacturing cotton goods after the experiments we are now conducting for him have been completed. Already one experiment has led to another and the new mill, as laid out today, is so radically unlike any other, that any manufacturer, with the exception of Mr. Ford, doubtless would hesitate to attempt to make in it the intended product." He continued:

Much can be done toward standardizing cotton manufacturing processes. Much can be done toward making these processes continuous and toward reducing the waste made, the power and labor consumed and the floor space utilized. New England especially should be interested in such developments, as on their successful outcome probably depends the salvation of the textile industry there. New England, admittedly, can compete in every phase of cotton manufacturing except as to labor costs. Our main objective, in this Ford cotton mill, is the elimination of labor. I can conceive of no more interesting problem in textile manufacturing than this one; nor can I conceive of any which holds in it greater possibilities for constructive work.

**Details of Plan.**

The company has completed negotiations for a merger of cotton mills operated by Lockwood, Greene & Co. in the south and the International Cotton Mills of New England. The new concern is known as the New England Southern Mills. News leaked out a few days ago of a contract placed by the Ford Motor Company with Lockwood, Greene & Co. for the construction of this new mill in Detroit; but details were withheld by the Boston engineers until today, when Lockwood, Greene & Co. published their current number of Builders. A monthly Motor Company has commissioned Lockwood, Greene & Co. to lay out, in a building in Detroit, known as the Aviation Building, the first unit of a mill which will make a 53-inch sateen, running 1.05 yards to the pound. About 50,000 square feet of space in this building will be devoted to the process, which includes carding, spinning, weaving and dyeing. Space in another building has been set aside for cotton storage and for the opening of the cotton. The completed mill will contain, roughly, 7000 spinning spindles and approximately 200 looms, together with all the necessary machinery and a dye house. The capacity of the plant on a day run of 48 hours a week, will be approximately 29,000 pounds. Running three shifts, the mill will produce approximately 87,000 pounds per week.

Considerable experimental work is still to be done before final methods and machinery are decided upon, definitely. The problem has been to make the process at the Ford plant as nearly continuous and as automatic as possible, provided, of course, that all departures from established practices and all changes in equipment should result in a reduction in the cost of manufacture. Present indications point to a process which will be substantially as follows: The raw cotton will go first to a bale breaker; next through two vertical openers, set in tandem, and then directly to the cards. Each of these machines will be fed automatically from the preceding machine, and the cards will deliver the stock directly to the back of the drawing frames and thence to the slubbers.

**Changes in Production.**

Those who are familiar with the cotton manufacturing process will observe two radical departures from common practice, up to this point. First, the elimination of picking, and secondly the avoidance of the handling of the cotton by human hands. After one process of drawing, the cotton will pass through the following machines: A slubber, one process of roving, spinning, spooling, warping, slashing

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and weaving. The weaving will be done on automatic looms. The cloth taken off the looms, after inspection, will be singed, desized, washed, dried, dyed, dried again, and tentered. The cloth will then be ready for the coating. Automatic conveyers will be used throughout the plant. Wherever it is possible to couple two processes together, that will be done; for instance, the singeing and the desizing processes will be so coupled; also the washing and the first drying processes.

Those who have had a hand in this work for the Ford Motor Company look upon it as an opportunity to advance the textile industry, build up better production methods, and break down barriers to progress in industry.

## A Friend to the Service Man



Miss Anita Phipps, Army Hostess

This Army Worker Pleads for Renewal of Interest by Women in Camp Work

## PARTIAL PROHIBITION GAINS ADHERENTS

**TORONTO, Nov. 20 (Special Correspondence).**—Interesting views on liquor law amendments were given by the Rev. Dr. T. Albert Moore, general secretary of Evangelism and Social Service for the Methodist Church, on returning here from his journey to Alberta, where he took part in the campaign, which resulted in the substitution of Government control of liquor for the former Temperance Act. Dr. Moore said that both sides had increased their support, but those opposing prohibition had gained the more.

In that Province, as in Manitoba, more people voted to retain partial prohibition than had ever voted for such laws in the past, and the increase in the moderate vote was from among the new Canadians and the new native born voters, women and young men who have come of age in the seven years since restrictive acts replaced the license system.

## COMMISSION TO STUDY LUMBER INTERESTS

**VANCOUVER, Nov. 26 (Special Correspondence).**—Because of the inroads being made by United States operators on British Columbia forests the matter of the imposition of a heavy export duty on all British Columbia lumber

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## Army Hostess Urges Renewal of Interest in Camp Work

Miss Anita Phipps Says There Is More Need for It Now Than During the War—Asks Women's Help

**Special from Monitor Bureau**  
**WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.**—An effort to make the women of the country realize that their interest in the welfare of soldiers stationed in army camps is even more necessary now than it was during the war is being

made by Miss Anita Phipps, Director of Women's Relations of the War Department, and the only woman holding a position on the War Department General Staff.

As supervisor of the employment and operations of the women employed by the army for duty in the service clubs and as hostesses, and as general liaison officer between the War Department and the women of the country, Miss Phipps is working to bring about a revival of interest in the work of the army hostess.

In speaking of her work, she said: "The furnishing of wholesome recreation and favorable social conditions for the men in the army is just as important as the social welfare work for industrial workers. Since the Women's Relations section of the War Department was organized in 1920, it has built up the hostess service from an unco-ordinated, ambiguous experiment, to an organized, trained and efficient corps of women. We are greatly hampered by lack of congressional appropriations for this important work."

**Shortage of Hostesses.**

At present we have only 16 hostesses for over 200 camps. The growth in the number of summer training camps has created a need for large numbers of trained hostesses, which we are unable to supply at present. But we are building up a nucleus of trained women, which will be the foundation for an extensive and efficient hostess service in all training and permanent army camps.

The value of the work is recognized by every army officer. We have four times as many requests for hostesses from camp officers as we can fill. In many cases, the soldiers themselves have "chipped in" to pay the salary of the hostess, rather than have the work discontinued for lack of funds.

Another important phase of the work directed by Miss Phipps concerns the working conditions, comfort, and morale of the women employed by the army. While this problem is not what it was during the war, it still remains a considerable one. Miss Phipps is endeavoring to form a connection between the War Department and various women's organizations, for the particular purpose of enlisting their interest in the work of the hostess service. She has interested groups of women in several large cities adjacent to army camps to establish clubhouses where soldiers on leave from their posts may find recreation and entertainment.

Before her appointment as director of women's relations, Miss Phipps was active in Red Cross work, having served during the war as director of the motor corps service for the Pennsylvania-Delaware division of the Red

Cross. Before her present appointment, she served as supervisor of women's relations for the eastern division of the second corps area.

A memorandum detailing the part played by women in the War Department activities, under the direction of Miss Phipps, has just been forwarded to the chief of staff of the army in Guatemala by Mr. Sanchez Latour, Minister to the United States. Military authorities in Guatemala, said Mr. Latour, are looking to the United States as a model in establishing social clubs for men in the army, and have called upon Miss Phipps to advise them in instituting a program similar to that of which she is the administrator for the War Department.

## CANADIANS SEEK HIGHER TARIFF WALLS

**TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 3 (Special Correspondence).**—A national policy to provide protection for Canadian industries was discussed by the executive of the Ontario division of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association recently. C. Howard Smith, president of the association, made an urgent appeal for higher protection, pointing to the strides made by the United States under principles of protection. For 130 years the United States has pursued a protective policy for her industries and her labor, and has succeeded in developing the most prosperous Nation in the world. While Canada is demanding immigrants and population the United States does not need to make such a demand, but has drawn immigrants, even from Canada.

"There is only an imaginary boundary line between Canada and the United States," he said. "We have to make our conditions of living and wages similar to those in the United States. If the wages there are higher than we can afford to pay in Canada, our population moves to the United States. It should be the desire of every producer in Canada to make conditions of labor equal to those of the United States. If we can increase our industrial population, and the cities and towns in the west, we build up a larger market for the products of the farm and bring greater prosperity to the farmers. The farmer profits with the success of industry and he suffers with its decline."

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## Ancient Indian Trading Center Is Discovered in Pennsylvania

Searchers, Studying Relics, Believe Red Men Gathered From New England, Delaware, and Ohio

**READING, Pa., Dec. 5 (AP).**—Indian tribes from widely separated sections of the country met at a common trading center in the vicinity of Boyertown, Berks County, in the opinion of John and Robert Kinsey of Reading, who have been making a study of Indian relics found in that vicinity. The variety and design of the many stone implements, and other articles found in a cave or mine which the Indians apparently excavated, indicated to the searchers that tribes from the New England states, from Delaware, even from the western part of Ohio, met and exchanged goods. The cave in which most of the articles were found apparently was that from

which the stone used by the aborigines was taken. The stone is of varied tints of bluish green, running in veins through the mine. The excavation, of considerable size, was funnel shaped, due to the methods of digging used by the Indians. Two openings to the pit have been found, and the investigators believe there may have been others.

Close to the cavern there were many flint chips, apparently the result of the manufacturing operations. Within the cave the explorers found stone beads and the remnants of a garment or robe. In another tunnel the workers found various articles of stoneware, bracelets and ornaments.

**MISS COMSTOCK TO SPEAK**  
**WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 5 (Special).**—Miss Ada L. Comstock, president of Radcliffe College, will speak before the Worcester division of Smith College in Worcester in March. She will come to Worcester, under the direction of the Smith College Club, and members of the Worcester Radcliffe Club will be guests.

**NEW CALIFORNIA OIL WELLS**  
**SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3 (AP).**—County operations in the week ended Dec. 2 included the starting of two Elk Hills, one Midway and one Wheeler Ridge wells. One of the Elk Hills wells, No. 72, is for Pacific Oil. Another Wheeler Ridge well is ready to start at once.

**BUYS CUBAN ELECTRIC CONCERN**  
**HAVANA, Dec. 3.**—The Electric Bond & Share Company of New York has purchased the Camaguey Electric Company for a consideration understood to be approximately \$3,000,000, according to local newspapers.

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## SPANISH COUNCIL RESIGNS EN MASSE

Alcaldes Refuse to Accept an Office That Has Become Full of Responsibility

MADRID, Spain, Nov. 18 (Special Correspondence)—Increasing difficulty is being experienced in getting the new municipal councils throughout Spain to work smoothly and regularly, while at the same time the severely primitive and retrogressive measures of the Directorate against the peccant former alcaldes are resulting in the steady flow of these personages into the prisons, which are already full in many places. Former members of ayuntamientos or councils are still being imprisoned in large numbers, and it is just reported that the whole council of Artesa in the district of Lerida, along with the alcalde, have been arrested, following an inquiry conducted by a commandant of infantry.

A conspicuous result of these arrests is to frighten good men from becoming councilors. The new councils are certainly not made of the best stuff available, and in many places little enthusiasm is shown by the members, while in various cases they have been dismissed by the Directorate on the other.

Six Members Resign en Bloc  
It is just announced that six members of the council of La Rabita, along with the alcalde, have sent in their resignations, accompanied with a memorandum that they desire them to take effect instantly, as they cannot for a minute incur the fearful responsibilities in which they may become innocently involved through taking over the affairs and finances of their predecessors. This is an example of similar fears and intentions in the case of many other ayuntamientos. It is commonly remarked that to become a municipal council or an alcalde now is merely asking for trouble instead of his office being a source of dignity and quite likely profit, as used to be the case.

Another Innovation  
A further decree from the Directorate now introduces a remarkable novelty into Spanish municipal life. By the new regulation any Spaniard of full age may attend a meeting of the local municipal council and say before it anything he desires concerning municipal work, or he may submit his comments in writing. Formerly a person with a municipal grievance could only submit it to the alcalde or the secretary, and if it were inconvenient to them, it went no further. There are indications that this innovation does not wholly please the ayuntamientos; they think it detracts from their dignity and will impede business.

These have already been curious results at Seville and Barcelona. At both there were raptures ready with speeches the moment the decree was read in the council chamber, and at Barcelona they talked the meeting out to its close. One had an invention of a sanitary character which he declared had been accepted by the council's predecessors and then laid aside in favor of another, while the other speaker went into the history of the misdeeds of previous ayuntamientos of Barcelona for several years past.

The greatest difficulty is being experienced in finding suitable alcaldes all over the country, and the suggestion is being strongly put forward that persons should be trained specially for the office, and that they should enter it as a career independent of local connections.

## DR. GRENELL REGRETS "GOLD RUSH" STORIES

LONDON, Ont., Nov. 21 (Special Correspondence)—Speculators are taking an unfair advantage of Labrador, according to Dr. Wilfrid Grenfell, head of the Grenfell Mission. Not only are development concerns organized on the strength of Labrador's native resources and then abandoned to the detriment of the country, but the recent "gold rush" was to an un-

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charted part of the country where there were not even surface indications of gold. Dr. Grenfell, who is touring Ontario cities lecturing on his work, declared that the rocks in the vicinity of the "gold rush" were all of pre-Cambrian formation, in which gold is rarely found. He believed there was great mineral wealth in Labrador but had no faith in the gold rush as an agency to exploit it satisfactorily.

What Labrador needs more than anything else, said Dr. Grenfell, is stabilization of industry. To bring this about, the mat and rug weaving industry has been introduced. Tourists who visit the coast and shoot the walrus and bear for sport have made the livelihood of the Labradorian still more precarious. Excellent progress is being made with the campaign to distribute goats throughout the country to supply milk for the children.

ANTIQUITIES FOUND AT JEBAIL  
BEIRUT, Syria, Nov. 12 (Special Correspondence)—Archaeological excavations at Jebail are being advanced with great activity. It was reported recently that an underground passage had been discovered containing Egyptian antiquities and nine tombs, one of which is reported to be that of an ancient king.

## Industrial Development Leading Agriculture in Czechoslovakia

Soil Is Extremely Productive, Yielding Twice as Much to Acre as Germany, but Only 42 Per Cent Is Arable

PRAGUE, Nov. 13 (Staff Correspondence)—Czechoslovakia's fifth anniversary, which she celebrated recently, marks a fit occasion on which to consider her agricultural status. Indeed, it is rather as an industrial state that she is known, and for which she once bore the title of "the great pearl in the crown of Austria-Hungary."

As the Slav countries in Europe go, Czechoslovakia is industrial rather than agricultural. Of her people only 40 per cent are agriculturists, as compared with 85 per cent for Russia, 82 per cent for Yugoslavia and 80 per cent for Bulgaria. This is not a strange comparison when the fact is considered that only 42 per cent of the land in Czechoslovakia is arable and that one-third is covered with forests.

Czechoslovakia makes the most of its opportunities. The sugar beet is its pride, and rightly so. It produces today an amount equivalent to 80 per cent of that of the former Austro-Hungarian Empire, and it is in the musician-province of Bohemia that 85 per cent of the sugar factories are found. To the acre Czechoslovakia can produce twice as much as Germany, three times as much as Denmark and six times the amount which France can raise. In size, Czechoslovakia occupies the fourteenth place among the European states, but ranks fourth in the number of acres under sugar beet cultivation, following Russia, Germany and France.

On the lands which are less than 1000 feet above sea level, sugar beet, barley and wheat are grown; on the larger areas, which lie between 1000 and 1200 feet where the sugar beet fares badly, the fields are given over to barley, wheat and oats; from there on, up to 2000 feet, are acres of potatoes, rye and oats. Above 2000 feet, the land becomes pasture; but this, in fact, is extremely small, being only 8.6 per cent of the country's total area. Czechoslovakia is wealthy in fruits and is well on its way to regain the position of being an international

market. Apples of all sorts, peaches, pears, plums, strawberries and raspberries are the principal offerings of the delightful mountain and hill valleys with their changeable climate of humidity and sunshine and long temperate months.

The agriculturists of Czechoslovakia are a political force today, having at the head of their party M. Svehla, Prime Minister of the Republic. With the formation of the Republic came the breaking up of the big estates and the gradual parceling to small farmers. The farmers may be better off, but it is maintained in certain quarters that Czechoslovakia now imports grain in large quantities, which before the war it was able to grow for itself. There are 7000 local agrarian organizations in the country.

In 1918 there were 167 special schools for farming and agricultural education and 5566 students. Since that date the pupils have doubled, while the schools have only increased 27 per cent. In the experimental institutions all phases of economic rural life receive consideration.

There can be no doubt of the earnestness of the Czech peasant. His dream of owning his morsel of earth and of being his own master has come true. And, with the surge of freedom, has come the realization of the value of organized power. The organized farmers today through the central European states wield a political force, the true strength of which would greatly surprise even the farm bloc in the United States.

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## NON-VOTERS TO BE DISFRANCHISED

New South Wales Will Penalize Referendum Slackers

BRISBANE, Queensland, Oct. 28 (Special Correspondence)—As the result of the recent referendum, the people in the State of Queensland defeated prohibition. The issues submitted were: Prohibition, continuance, or state control. The combined majority against prohibition was overwhelming.

In the State of New South Wales, the liquor bill had a stormy passage in Parliament, and although the second reading passed, there is a rough time ahead for it in committee. The bill is a complicated measure of 33 clauses, most of which amend the clauses of earlier liquor acts. The question of prohibition is not raised by the bill. It provides as follows: A referendum on the question of whether prohibition with compensation shall operate is to be taken on the first Saturday in September, 1928, and thereafter every five years. This referendum is not to be taken within

60 days of any general election. All persons who fail to vote in this referendum are to be fined and disfranchised.

Generally, compensation is to be paid on the lines set out in the 1919 act, but it is provided that no concern whose principal place of business is outside the State of New South Wales is to receive compensation. A court is to award what it considers is "just and reasonable" to any claimant for compensation in respect of termination of trade; but such sum shall not exceed three times the amount of the average net annual profit, taken over the three preceding years. Other clauses provide that there shall be no more barmaids other than those employed as such for at least three months in 1923, and duly registered.

As the committee stage, through which the bill has to pass, promises to be full of interesting discussion on this very important contemplated legislation, any further remarks are postponed till then.

STATISTICS PROVE  
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TORONTO, Ont., Nov. 27 (Special Correspondence)—The prohibition situation, in view of the recent votes in Alberta and Manitoba and the proposed vote in British Columbia, was the subject of review by the Rev. Ernest Thomas of the department of evangelism and social service before a meeting of Methodist ministers today.

In the face of recent developments in other provinces, it behooved Ontario people to inquire diligently into the actual workings of prohibition, which demonstrated, Mr. Thomas claimed, that drinking and drunkenness alike decreased whenever facilities decreased. Experience all over the Dominion since 1921, when importation, interprovincial trade and "short-circuiting" were outlawed by referendums in several of the provinces, had shown a decline in the amounts of liquor passing through customs and excise for consumption. Customs statistics showed that liquor legally available for consumption in Canada decreased from 1,100 gallons per head of population in 1913 to 36 gallons in 1923.

TO TAKE PACIFIC TEMPERATURES  
VANCOUVER, Nov. 26 (Special Correspondence)—Thermometers are to be affixed to the bottoms of all the Canadian Pacific trans-Pacific liners by the Dominion meteorological department with the purpose of securing definite data of sea water temperatures on the northern Pacific. Scientists believe that the temperature of the north Pacific has an important bearing on the weather of Canada, and the department is taking this and other steps to learn if this assumption is well founded.

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has resulted in placing in circulation several leaflets issued by the Humane Society of America, such as "A Horse's Prayer" and kindred tracts. At the organization meeting of the combined societies a plan of campaign for Bulgaria was adopted. Part of this campaign, which it is hoped to extend throughout the Balkans, is to be educational and the other part legislative.

Rights of Dumb Animals  
As Miss Clark put it to a representative of The Christian Science Monitor:  
We must rouse the public conscience to a realization of what we owe to animals—the realization that dumb animals have rights which it is the duty of the so-called lord of creation to recognize. These rights are too frequently ignored in the Near East.

In the second place, we must obtain the co-operation of the law and the police in our efforts to put a stop to cruelty to animals. There is a provision in the criminal laws of Bulgaria to the effect that whoever openly and cruelly maltreats a dumb animal is punishable with a fine of 100 leva! That is the maximum penalty, and the society is convinced that the maximum is far too low. A leva is worth only a cent at the present rate of exchange.

We want the penalty raised considerably, to at least 1500 leva, so that the punishment will act as a deterrent to cruelty to dumb beasts. In a recent instance, where we made a test of the law, an arrest was made. A man who had been cruel to a horse, was tried and convicted, and the penalty meted out was a fine of 5 leva. Obviously that punishment was inadequate.

We have behind us the sympathy and the co-operation of some of the most influential men and women in the community. Very soon we shall hold a mass meeting in Sofia, at which, as the leading speaker, we shall have one of the most eminent jurists in the country. This jurist will define what constitutes cruelty to animals, will outline what is and what should be punishable under the law.

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It is estimated that fully four-fifths of the city's slums have been wiped out. The Social Reform Committee has played its part in this direction. Some lay members, however, still complain that this growing city's Council had no sufficient policy of rehousing in connection with its work of reformation, with the result that slums were being re-created, and they asked the Synod to urge the authorities to set up the proposed town planning and rehousing departments as the best guarantee against any re-creation of slum areas. This suggestion, however, was rejected for fear that it might be interpreted as the introduction of policies by the Synod. The rapid growth of Sydney is evidenced by the fact that, although no fewer than 10,352 houses were built last year, they are totally inadequate.

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## The Library

The Public Library and the Immigrant

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THE active public library wishes to enroll among its readers every member of its community. Its existence is based upon a belief in the social, educational and recreational value of books and reading. Supported for this purpose by public funds, it is under obligation to render service not to a few only, but to all.

In communities which include immigrants, special consideration must be given to their needs and special effort made to furnish books which they can actually use. First, of course, are the books which definitely assist their adaptation to American life—the "easy reading" books for the student of English, the books of practical instruction for the worker, the books which assist the applicant for citizenship. Then the immigrant, like the native-born, must find also in the library books for his recreational reading. In the great majority of cases, this must mean books in his native tongue.

People who have never tried it themselves do not realize how hard it is to attain sufficient mastery of a language to read it with ease and full understanding. These are the people who say that the immigrant can understand American life and ideals only through American literature and that therefore he must read English. It would be just as reasonable to say that since the top of the window must be washed, the housewife must grow tall enough to reach it. She can't. Neither can the average immigrant acquire sufficient facility in English to read it as a recreation, especially in view of the fact that he works long hours at heavy labor that usually leaves him unfit for mental exertion.

### Literary Taste

Another issue involved is that of literary taste. The Pole's favorite novel is one based upon the history which is a part of his inner makeup—the history of Poland. The ideal of the Czechoslovak reader is the simple tale "Babicka" (Grandmother), in which old customs and legends are interwoven with common things and everyday virtues. The Yugoslav loves the heroic ballad and thrills to "The Lazar's choice of a heavenly rather than an earthly crown. These tastes are good. They are a part of the immigrant's very self, and they can be satisfied only in his own literature. They are based, too, upon conditions which he understands. Hugh Walpole has said that the average Englishman cannot care for such a book as "My Antonia" because he has no conception of the social conditions on which it is founded. If this is true of the Englishman, who is our own kin, much more must it be true of the immigrant who came from a world whose social organization was in every respect different from ours.

Moreover, general culture is advanced by the addition of cultural contributions not available in English. Libraries have always aimed at having representation of French, German, Italian and Spanish literatures. Other literatures ought to be added just as fast as readers for them can be found, and the average of literary taste will thus be raised. Few Americans habitually read fiction of the grade of Stenckiewicz, but he is the favorite author of the Pole. Every Pole, practically without exception, has read and reread many times the great trilogy, "With Fire and Sword," "The Deluge" and "The Michael," and his literary taste is based upon it.

**Responsibility and Opportunity**  
The librarian who is privileged to work in an immigrant community has opportunities for personal enlargement unknown to the one who moves in trodden paths. To learn how other people do things and why is the great objective of travel. The librarian who works among the foreign born can get this without the expense of a journey. And library and librarian in exchange pass on the American way of doing things.

Democracy and opportunity have to the immigrant in cities no other ex-

position equal to that of the public library. The library is the only place that is warm and free, that is open to all ages, both sexes, all nations and creeds, and in which all can meet on terms of equality and receive equal consideration. It is the only branch of the city government which expresses primarily graciousness. And the immigrant needs graciousness.

In an English class in a library



Mrs. Eleanor E. Ledbetter

Librarian, Broadway Branch, Cleveland Public Library, and Chairman of American Library Association Committee on Work With the Foreign Born

building, the teacher asked an advanced pupil to enact the part of an employer while a new arrival applied for a job. The application was made with painful effort in correct English, and the "employer" negligently waved his hand and answered without looking up, "Nothing doing. Go to —."

At the horrified exclamation of the teacher, the exponent of the employer explained to her in surprise, but great firmness, that this was the correct answer. "They always say so."

An institution characterized by friendliness and sympathetic understanding thus comes to occupy an important position in the immigrant's world, and he makes fullest use of its resources. Every large library with branches in the various parts of the city finds its heaviest use and its greatest appreciation in the so-called "foreign districts," and the quality of the reading generally surpasses that in the purely American sections. History and travel are favorite themes with practically all immigrants; practical books and books on citizenship find among them their greatest use; problem novels have no vogue; everything is objective.

In such a neighborhood, the library performs many friendly offices besides

those directly connected with books. It is a meeting place, a resting place, a social center, a place where one goes for guidance and direction. Is there need for a class in English? The librarian will know how to start it. Is it a court notice not understood? At the library they can explain it. Has the coal man failed to come? Send one of the children with a nickel and ask the librarian to telephone. Is it the menu for a wedding breakfast, where the bride wishes to display more savoir faire than her immigrant parents? The library books and the librarian will help to frame the menu.

"Such a library," to quote in translation a Polish newspaper, "can win more citizens of foreign birth for this country, citizens who would believe

heart and soul in the spirit of citizenship, than 10 secretaries who, without understanding, aim at securing by pressure great numbers of naturalizations."

**TAKES COLLECTED AT BEIRUT**  
BEIRUT, Syria, Nov. 12 (Special Correspondence).—The Arabic paper Al-Ahwal states that the administration of the town of Beirut has authorized the tax collectors to gather the municipal taxes from the subjects of all foreign countries, with the exception of the United States, which Government has not yet recognized the abolition of the capitulations.

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## TWILIGHT TALES

### The Mysterious View

KATHLEEN'S and John's family moved to a new house on the top of a hill. This was the only hill in the town and there were no other houses on it. This was why nobody had ever before remarked about the view. Kathleen and John did not know what a view was, but they knew that had one, for everybody talked about it. Everybody! Visitors, the postman, the grocer boy, the cook, the gardener—everybody. They all said it was the only view in town and that it was beautiful.

Kathleen and John looked up, they looked down, they looked far, they looked near, but they could see no view. They could see the river, several small lakes, many trees and buildings, but they could see no view. They knew the name of everything in sight, so where could this mysterious view hide itself?

"Perhaps 'view' is the last name for something. Perhaps everything has two names just as people do," suggested John.

"Perhaps," answered Kathleen. "Maybe we are too little to know both names yet. But we do know cook stove and stove pipe and pipe organ and organ grinder and grindstone and stone, stone, stone what?"

John thought for a moment, before he answered. "Maybe 'view' is the last name of stone. Stone view, how does that sound?" he asked.

Kathleen shook her head. "It sounds queer," she said. "Besides, we can't see any beautiful stone from here, not the only stone in town. Oh, dear, I wish people would stop talking about that old view anyway! If we ask what a view is they will laugh."

The next morning everything was covered with snow. The buildings and trees and streets were all white. "Hurrah! The old view is covered up, so we won't hear any more about that," said John. But he was mistaken. They talked about the view more than ever. This was more than John could stand, so he asked, "What is the first name of a view anyway?" Everybody laughed and laughed.

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"What is the child talking about?" asked his grandfather. "Come here, you droll little fellow."

Kathleen and John explained how puzzled they had been. Their grandfather laughed and told them what a view was.

"I was right after all, it is just another name for something that we knew," said John. "At any rate, I was nearly right. Besides trying to find the first name of view, helped us invent a new game. We call it Double Names. You start, Kathleen."

"Horse shoe," said Kathleen.

"Shoe button," said John.

"Button hole," said Kathleen.

"Hole, hole, hole," repeated John.

"Now you are in a hole," laughed grandfather. "I shall start you again—view point."

That is the end of the Twilight Tale, but if it is not bed time yet, you can place it out yourself by playing Double Names.

### CANADA IS FAVORED FOR ESTHONIANS

WINNIPEG, Man., Nov. 28 (Special Correspondence).—The first party of Esthonians who are to settle in Canada next year will probably be ready to start the journey early in spring, according to Sir John Pitka, rear admiral, retired, of the Esthonian navy, who has just completed a five weeks' tour of Canada, during which he sought to find a suitable location for his countrymen.

Speaking of his tour, Sir John said he was convinced that Canada was by far the best country in the two

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American continents for settlers, although he had visited many other countries in this hemisphere, including Brazil, Venezuela and the United States. He had found Canada, he said, possessing a high state of civilization, good schools, good transport, good social order, well organized government, public security, rich natural resources, considerable valuable agricultural land, a wholesome climate and a good political situation.

### ONTARIO'S WAGES EXCEED MINIMUM

TORONTO, Ont., Nov. 28 (Special Correspondence).—That 450,000 people were protected by the workmen's compensation act in Ontario, and the annual payments were \$6,000,000, were statements of Samuel Price, chairman of the workmen's compensation board to the delegates from all over Ontario of the Canadian Manufacturers Association now holding a three days convention. "Allowances of compensation under the act is a matter of right and not of charity," he said.

That most wages were above the minimum was the statement of Dr. J. W. MacMillan, chairman of the minimum wage board. "The decent employers are paying wages above our standards, and they are willing to see that other employers are not out of the matter of wages. Over 80 per cent of the employees in Ontario are already paid more than the minimum rate fixed by the board."

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## Window Washers Invade New College

Texas Boys' Speed and Dexterity Win Attention

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 5.—The University Window Cleaners Association has been organized at the University of Texas as the latest means for students to earn a livelihood. With an orange and white ladder and a reputation for dexterity and speed in washing windows, the group of cleaners at the university has attracted much attention.

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**GENERAL MOTORS**  
IRON MOUNTAIN, Mich., Dec. 3 (Special Correspondence).—It is currently reported that the General Motors Corporation has bought a large harbor on Lake Superior near Marquette, and that it is looking over a vast tract of hardwood timberlands in this region, said to be well toward 1,000,000 acres, of which there are great areas on Keweenaw point and along the south shore of Lake Superior.

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## BOOK REVIEWS AND LITERARY NEWS

## Mornay, Master Book-Maker of Paris

IN PARIS, on the Boulevard Montparnasse, not far from the bustle and noise of the Montparnasse Station, with its ever-changing groups of costumed Bretons, sailors and harassed commuters, there is a little haven of quiet. It is the haunt of Paris booklovers and is known to the world as the Librairie Mornay. On the outside it looks much the same as any other "petit bibliothèque" with its—lo the American eye—badly arranged window stock. The inside of the shop is not much different. But pass through to the room beyond, and there you will find yourself in a bookman's sanctuary, a bibliophile's paradise.

There before you, surrounded by his beloved and beautiful books, sits M. Mornay, one of the most excellent practicing artists in the art of fine book-making in France today. You may chance to find him in conference with one of his young artists, or with a writer whose new book is about to be published. Or, again, you may find him, as I have often found him, fingering and perplexedly examining several grades of paper or critically observing the difference of this ink on that surface. You will never find him idle. His whole life is given over to the making of fine books, and each book that he places on the market is a work of art. The work of the illustrator and the typographer have an equal value, and Mornay sees to it that they produce the best that is in them.

## Editions Limited

As far as modern editions go, those of the House of Mornay are not very large in numbers and they are never reprinted. Never are more than 1000 copies printed and sometimes only a few hundred. Of each edition there is usually a unique copy done on old Japanese paper sold at a price ranging from 500 to 2500 francs; then follow about 50 on Imperial Japanese paper, priced usually at 150 francs; 100 or more on Holland Van Gelder, selling at from 80 to 100 francs. What remains constitutes the ordinary edition and is printed usually on Rives vellum, selling at from 30 to 50 francs.

So eagerly are these beautiful books sought after by European bibliophiles that often the edition is exhausted but a few weeks after its appearance. Then the prices begin to soar. This happened a few months ago with a book of droll literary cartoons done in color by that luscious humorist, Gus Bofa. The edition was 1000 copies and the price 20 francs, or about \$1.50. Two weeks after the issue every copy was sold and at this writing copies of this work bring in the book-market over 200 francs!

## "Pot au Noir"

Another of the latest issues from the House of Mornay which has caused quite a thrill among French bibliophiles is the "Pot au Noir" by Louis Chaboune. This book, with its fine paper, thick black type, and its colored woodcuts, initial letters and tail pieces by that excellent artist, Pierre Falké, is a rare joy to the eye, even as its adventurous contents are a pleasure to the mind. This same artist, Falké, has illustrated also by superb woodcuts the "Crainquebille" of Anatole France.

Among the other artists who have helped by their contributions to make beautiful books for Mornay may be cited Louis Jou, the dean of French woodcut artists; Lebedeff, the Russian whose virile cuts fit in so well with the rugged text of "The Vagabonds" by his compatriot Maxim Gorki; Barthelmy, whose woodcuts for "Count Morin, Deputy," by Anatole France, have been taken over from Mornay's edition to decorate the English edition issued by John Lane Company. Simeon, Daragnes, Derain, Sauvage and Desligneres are others

among the younger illustrators who have lent their exceptional talents to the House of Mornay for books by Anatole France, Gabriele d'Annunzio, Stewart Edward White, Oscar Wilde, Jean Lorrain and Claude Tillier.

ALLAN ROSS MACDUGALL.



Woodcut by Louis Jou, Frontispiece From "Le Carton aux Estampes," by Simon t'Serstevens, Published by Librairie Mornay, Paris

## A New Study of Wordsworth

## Wordsworth: Lectures and Essays

By H. W. Garrod (Fellow of St. John's College, Oxford; The Clarendon Press, Price 7s. 6d.)

Mr. Garrod in his conscientious attempt to analyze and describe the personal influences that swayed the great poet's thought summarizes Wordsworth's contribution to the world's treasury. He is right. It is Wordsworth's truthfulness and purity that convince us, even when we are baffled by his philosophy.

Mr. Garrod contends that no one who has felt deeply the influence of Wordsworth's mind and style will easily be deceived thereafter by mere showiness.

This is also true and Mr. Garrod's aim in this book is not so much to reconcile the Wordsworthian inconsistencies as to explain to us the why and wherefore of them. He first of all postulates that of the 66 years during which Wordsworth was writing poetry, all the work of highest merit was done in the period between 1797 and 1807, and that outside of these limits almost nothing of the finest quality.

that he has to tell us of himself meets us like a clean breeze, carrying none of the casual impurities of social or intellectual competition. He is at pains to prove to us that Wordsworth, although himself an original thinker, was much influenced by contemporary thinkers. Among those who exercised a great influence on him was William Godwin, the author of "Political Justice." This man's rationalism "demanding formal proof and seeking it in everything" seems to have temporarily overshadowed the poet's naturally joyous outlook and dimmed his originality.

Today no one reads Godwin. Coleridge, on the other hand, was Wordsworth's guardian angel. He speaks of himself as flowing into the streams of Wordsworth's genius "in a hundred nameless rills." Mr. Garrod sees in the withdrawal of Coleridge's influence, as the result of the estrangement between the two friends, the commencement of Wordsworth's gradual relapse into ordinariness.

The book is a compilation of lectures and essays and is based on an intensive study of "The Prelude," a long poem to which, Wordsworth gave the subtitle "Growth of a Poet's Mind."

This poem is autobiographical in character and under the fierce though appreciative light of Mr. Garrod's research has been found to contain many self-revealing points which have escaped previous biographers and critics.

## Reminiscences in Modern Style

## Old Days and New

By Lord Ernest Hamilton, L.C.S., Don't Mess with a Hamilton L.C.S. Ltd. Ltd. Ltd.

Lord Ernest Hamilton's style is pleasant and lively, sparkling with lively comment and delightful touches of humor. He writes of English high society, past and present, as only one can write who intimately knows and understands. Had the aristocracy of former generations recorded their impressions after the fashion of Lord Ernest, what a picturesque and astonishingly vivid view of the whirligig of time we might have had! But the art of writing such reminiscences is modern. It may be fairly asserted that such frankness, such easy laughter, and such critical yet kindly comparison, could not have been achieved prior to the democratic age which has given us photography, cinemas and picture-papers.

In the early chapters Lord Ernest Hamilton presents the reader to such notable eighteenth century personages as his great-grandmother, the beautiful Duchess of Gordon, to whose initiative Britain owes that famous regiment, the Gordon Highlanders, and to his great-grandfather, styled "Don Magnifico"—the Marquis of

Abercorn. Later chapters deal with the Victorian and modern periods, and with incidents in Lord Ernest's own life. He does not omit to pay his tribute of loyalty to his old school, Harrow, and to tell some good tales of Harrovian esprit de corps. Being a good sportsman and a lover of the open, he conducts us to many scenes of country life—hills, rivers, and moors. Probably lovers of Scotland will best enjoy the last three chapters, which deal with the Border country, and give us some glimpses of tranquil mountain solitudes, where no jarring note mars the beauty of earth or sky.

In contrasting old days with new, Lord Ernest says, "In our public life there is nothing but loss to be registered," and in our private life. "We are just different. There is a change in values"—yet that this change means progress, he seems doubtful. But he himself brings a mass of evidence to bear against this gloomy verdict. He describes the highborn of a former generation as moving in a narrow groove, utterly impractical, ridiculously self-complacent, martyrs to unreasoning fashion and convention, idle, artificial and greedy. It might be contended that these incompetent, impractical, spoon-fed fine ladies and gentlemen were "fair game." And if today such strictures are less merited, what is this but progress? The general companionship which Lord Ernest Hamilton offers his readers is an argument in itself of freer, healthier times.

## The Present Situation of Hungary

## Hungary and Democracy

By Major C. J. St. John, L.C.S., Don't Mess with a Hamilton L.C.S. Ltd. Ltd. Ltd.

Major Street deals with a subject full of human interest in his well made up volume on Hungary. No people in Central Europe have suffered more from the results of the Great War than have the proud and ancient Magyars whose present condition he describes in 1913 the Magyars were the ruling race in a self-supporting and self-contained Hungary which comprised 125,000 square miles of territory containing 20,000,000 people.

Today their country has been reduced to 33,000 square miles, with a population of less than 8,000,000. They have been deprived of their rich mines of salt and iron. The best of their forests and the most fertile of their agricultural plains have passed into other hands. Their great river system has been partitioned so that they have lost the abundant water power that previously supplied their factories. Their boundaries have been so altered that much of their produce is cut off from its natural markets. Large sections of their previously free and independent race have become subject to alien rule.

Major Street depicts the resultant circumstances, and traces the dangers they offer to the peace of the neighboring states. He further dwells upon the undemocratic and reactionary tendencies of the present Hungarian régime. He has had access to documents and information not previously available to English readers. He deals with his subject lucidly and frankly, and it is not necessary to agree with all his conclusions in order to appreciate the value of his narrative, which no student of Balkan politics can afford to leave unread. He has collected an array of instances of Magyar misdoings, so unrelieved by mitigating considerations as to constitute a terrible indictment not only of the present Hungarian Government, but also of the Magyar ruling classes as a whole. In this he does no more than put on record charges freely circulating in the states to which has fallen the extremely difficult task of absorbing large areas of what before the war was Hungarian territory. If the judgment he passes upon this evidence may seem unduly harsh to those who have learnt to appreciate the Magyar people and their well meaning if autocratic rulers, this still leaves his book a mine of information for all who would get to the bottom of the case.

New hope has now dawned for Hungary in the intervention of the League of Nations, to which France and the Little Entente have at last agreed. The incidents that Major Street records remain pertinent all the same though the "menace" he sees in them may no longer be as insistent as was the fact when he wrote.

Svend Fleurbaey, author of "The Pike" and other stories known to American readers, has published (Glyndendal) a new book, entitled "The Swan at Hjortvad."

## Hyndman, Lover of Humanity

## The Last Years of H. M. Hyndman

By Rosalind Travers, M.A., L.C.S., Don't Mess with a Hamilton L.C.S. Ltd. Ltd. Ltd.

In this finely written memoir, we see social democracy lifted out of the atmosphere of class war and personal antagonisms, and revealed in its ideal aspect. "Each for all, and all for each"—so society without competition, without capitalism, without "wage slavery"—nations transformed into "self-supporting, self-governing communities, living in equality, space, beauty, brotherhood and leisure." This was the hope to which Henry Mayers Hyndman gave more than forty years of labor and enthusiasm. A pioneer of Socialism in England, he founded, in 1884, the still existing organ of the Social Democratic Federation, Justice, and was for many years its editor. Always a ready writer, his literary output was never greater than when his age, as men count time, was between 70 and 80. To this period belong such volumes as "The Future of Democracy," "The Awakening of Asia," a revised edition of "The Economics of Socialism," and his magnum opus, "The Evolution of Revolution."

Nor was it his pen alone which was active. During the World War he rendered practical service as a member of the War Emergency Workers' Committee and the Food Consumers' Council. The author of "Fourteen Points on Agriculture" proved a sage counselor in these days, and his wit often lightened anxious deliberations. We are told that "Not only did he bring gaiety, but he informed each featureless thing as flour, jam, cheese, bacon, and such with interest, beside placing them correctly in relation to the individual, the state, and the capitalist system." He won the liking and respect even of those who greatly differed from him. The editor of the London Morning Post, Mr. H. A. Gwynne, writing to Hyndman in 1919, thus expressed himself: "I look upon you as a man with a consummate knowledge of economics, with a very sane judgment and a marvelous acquaintance with all the currents and tendencies of foreign politics."

A far-traveled Englishman, in type Latin rather than Teuton, a lover of his country with the wide view of a cosmopolitan, Hyndman numbered in

his long list of friends such personages as Mazzini, Eugene Debs, Catherine Breshkovsky, Clemenceau, and President Masaryk. The friends who knew him most intimately, were those who loved him best. Clemenceau said of him: "He passed through this world in perfect serenity of soul for he could not and would not see anything but the great things of life, never the small."

And Rosalind Travers, who was his wife during those "last years" from 1914 to 1921, has given us such a picture of the veteran leader as we imagine Elizabeth Barrett Browning might have written of Robert Browning, in similar circumstances. She depicts him as a man who, without distinction of persons, had the gift of addressing himself to the best in others; who "never stooped to do the smart, clever, popular, temporary thing"; who took a childlike joy in simple pleasures, and who "went through life, as if his eyes were fixed on the clouds, or rather on the sun behind the clouds."

## Attitude Toward Theology

During many years Hyndman decried theology as humbug. As G. B. Shaw said, he "dismissed popular religion as superstition and fraud; and was too glad to be rid of it to see any need for replacing it." But, as was inevitable with so sincere a truth-seeker, this attitude changed. Doubts suggested themselves. He had seen a noble vision of brotherhood, but its realization tarried. Why? He had preached the saving grace of education, but education, per se, had not saved Germany from the dream of military domination. And individual selfishness, apparent in all classes, raised the inevitable question—Even if capitalism went, would not self-seeking remain? We find among his latest utterances:

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## Men and Women Who Write

## III—Thomas Hardy

By ERNEST RHYS

THERE are a few straggling regions and places forever connected in our minds with the men and women who wrote about them. Shakespeare's Stratford-on-Avon, Walter Scott's Lammermoor, the Brontës' Haworth and the Yorkshire moors, Nathaniel Hawthorne's Salem, Dickens' London; and among the later colonies of fantasy Thomas Hardy's Wessex. The genius of the place seems, in these instances, to work with the genius of the tale-teller who re-created it in art.

As we travel westward across England and leave behind Salisbury Plain, we soon strike the outskirts of that tract of country which Hardy has made his own. He still lives at the house he built near Dorchester, which cannot be much more than a league away from the cottage where he was born, at Bockhampton Heath. His books are saturated with the old tradition of that countryside, and he has known how to make out of its records the living pageantry of his Wessex stories. He seems to be saying in them, as in the lyric imagery of his "Old Furniture":

I see the hands of the generations...  
Hands behind hands, growing paler and paler,  
As in a mirror a candle-flame  
Shows images of itself, each frailer  
As it recedes, though the eye may frame  
Its shape the same.

## Images Made Bright

Hardy has known how to make those fading images as bright in his art as they were in the living reality. Turn from the poem just quoted to some of his prose pages in which the old Dorset landmarks and cottage holdings are described to us. The vignette of Tranter's cottage, which is drawn at the opening of his story, "Under the Greenwood Tree," calls up a long range of associations, inherent in the rural tradition and the human accompaniment of Wessex life. That particular cottage, you may remember, is a small low building with a thatched roof, dormer windows breaking up into the eaves, and a single chimney standing in the midst. Through the doorway or the window-shutters the fire and candle-light shine out at nightfall upon the bushes in the garden and the bare boughs of the twisted coddling-trees. The scene is nothing in the map; yet it is significant as Costard's painted-cloth in the play.

I remember, long ago, when on a visit to the Last of the Concord Giants, as he was called—Frank Sanborn—in his New England country house, that he told me he turned to such pages of Thomas Hardy's when he wished to call up the veritable old English charm that corresponded to some kindred spirit in his own house. There are scenes in Hardy's novels that so perfectly conjure up the pervading atmosphere and character of his region, that sometimes, in traveling its immemorial roads, one asks if it has not borrowed its real estate from the magician's fictive inventory.

## Choice of Detail Sure

A recent critic of Hardy's poetry has remarked on a certain want of color in his lyric landscape, and it may be noticed he prefers to call up his Wessex scenes with as little use of the pictorial adjective and the colored epithet as he can. His choice of significant detail is yet so sure, so true to the thing described, that without naming the painter's tints he makes one see the dominant color—the heath amber in the twilight; the country road, white under a sprinkling of snow. As a writer of verse, he carries on the natural economy of his prose, which is never overwrought, but goes for the concrete figure and the visual image. After one has read a book like "Far From the Madding Crowd" one's memory is as vividly filled with the scenes in which Gabriel Oak and Bathsheba

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in fiction" which is well worth studying, and we know, from references there and elsewhere, what he regards as the perfect instance of what a novel should be—Walter Scott's "Bride of Lammermoor." The canon of perfection implicit in that romance may be applied to his own writing at its best as in "The Return of the Native" and "Tess."

## "The Dynasts"

It is curious to find the epic note struck in Hardy's novels still sustained when he turns to write drama, as in "The Dynasts." That extraordinary book is indeed epic and drama in one. Its treatment of the great Napoleonic tragedy raises the whole question of Hardy's philosophy of art, and his conception of man's high destiny, not easily achieved under the burden of the disabilities of human nature. Many readers, many critics, have accused Hardy of a pessimistic outlook upon life and its issues. We see in "The Dynasts" the interplay of the nations and one might overweening ambition—"Napoleon"—on the outspread European stage. At times it seems as if the outlook were utterly dark and confused; so thwarted by cross-purposes and conflicting interests that there is no sure solution, no last recompense, no great way out. But when you read on, and come to the fateful scenes in the seventh and last act, feeling as you felt at times in the last war, you are rescued in the con-

clusion by the voices of a triumphant final belief in our human destiny. That word of courage is not wanting either in Hardy's lyric poems. It is delightfully expressed in his "Song of Hope," which makes one think of

career, the power of looking into the nature of things, and into the passions and humors that affect us. But he has in "The Dynasts" attained a larger vision of life. It is as if he had stood on Egdon Heath and seen not only the map of Europe but the vista of the world spread before him. For myself, I find in his work a progression of ideas which can be traced from the earliest stories he wrote to his latest lyrics.

And if one looks for a single poem to express him as the old man eloquent, let it be "The Darkling Thrush." He pictures himself as standing at a gate, with the earth frost smitten and the day dying at his side. And then, at the moment when the wind seems to be uttering its death-lament, a thrush breaks into deathless song:

At once a voice came out of the wood  
The black twilight overhead  
In a full-hearted evensong  
Of joy illimited:  
An aged thrush, frail, gaunt and small,  
In blast-beruffled plumage,  
Had chosen thus to fling his soul  
Upon the growing gloom.

So little cause for carolings  
Of such ecstatic sound  
Was written on terrestrial things  
Afar or nigh around,  
That I could think there trembled  
through  
His happy goodnight air  
Some blessed Hope, whereof he knew  
And I was unaware.

With a bundle of such lyrics, a short story like "The Three Strangers," a novel like "Far From the Madding Crowd," and a majestic play, "The Dynasts," Hardy is sure of his succession in the line of the masters.

One of the leading magazines of Alsace closed a recent article with this statement: "A great awakening has taken place in Alsatian literature." This seems to have been a bit of excessive optimism. That the creative writers of Alsace cannot turn, all of a sudden and by command, to the use of the French language every one must admit. And those who write in German—René Schickele, for example—are hard put to it. The theater, it seems, beyond Strasbourg, is about extinct. Some of the best journals have been obliged either to cease publication or to become amalgamated with former competitors—which is one of the most unsatisfactory ends a newspaper can have. "The dialect theater" is proving a failure. It should; there are already enough languages in this weary world. Alsatian writers such as the Mathis brothers are not publishing lest they offend the French. There is no number of new "albums" and "art sheets," both of which usually mark a decadent epoch. The best novel seems to be J. Anselmi's "Odilia." The noisiest dramatist is manifestly Herg Gerber, whose most recent work, "Der heilige Arbogastus," could be produced only in the provinces. If France is wise, she will allow the Alsatis to write in whatever language they can express themselves with fancy and intelligence.

the art of nursery-rhyme and bird-song, newly reinforced:

Doth the black token,  
From the red shoon,  
Right and return  
Viol-strings broken:  
Null the words spoken  
In speeches of railing,  
The night cloud is hushing,  
To-morrow shines soon—  
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A member of one of the delegations that have been sent officially from here at least biennially to lay their case before Washington told me that the first and hardest duty the delegation had to perform was to find just who it was in Washington who could be held accountable for the acts of the United States in the Virgin Islands. Strange as it may seem, the islands are not under the Navy Department; nor are they under the division of insular affairs of the War Department, nor under any other department whatsoever.

After seeking anxiously for some time, the delegates found the only man officially empowered to receive and answer their complaints was the President of the United States. Presumably, he governs the Virgin Islands, and the liberal allowance of time and attention at his disposal for their affairs may readily be imagined.

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The United States State Department declares that they are "inhabitants of the Virgin Islands, entitled to the protection of the United States." As such they cannot vote in the United States; they cannot even become citizens of the United States as can Negroes from British West Indian islands, for instance, for the simple reason that they are not aliens.

Other American departments have other definitions of their status; thus, a Virgin Islander on arriving in New York learns from the immigration bureau of the Department of Labor that he is a "native-born American," from the customs bureau of the Treasury Department that he is an "American domiciled abroad," and from the State Department, as above, that he is a simple Virgin Islander.

The Navy Department, however, insists bluntly and briefly that Virgin Islanders are American citizens, and I have the best authority for saying that when Capt. Henry T. Hough reaches Washington the navy is going to fight it out with the Department of State on this line, and carry the argument, if need be, to the highest judicial authority in the United States. This ambiguity and limited share of American citizenship rankles deeply here, for with great elaborateness America asked the Virgin Islanders in 1917 to take a year to think over whether they wished to preserve their citizenship in Denmark, at the end of which time, failing their declaration to the contrary, it should have been considered that they were "held to have renounced it and to have accepted citizenship in the United States."

**"Gibberian Outcome"**  
The paradox of having accepted something which was not in fact being granted was a quibble of which they never suspected the sober State Department, yet this Gibberian outcome is precisely what has happened. As virtually all the islands thus "accepted" American citizenship, resentment against this disingenuousness is about universal. The planter declares that it is an exact symbol of American obnoxiousness of their interests in more practical ways, and cite the obvious current instance whereby the United States sent sugar experts to help the growers in Hawaii, Porto Rico, and even Cuba, but has quite forgotten to send any to the Virgin Islands.

The inner meaning of this denial of citizenship is not, however, a mere slight at the islands' prestige. It goes deeper than that. It is the present mode of side-stepping a very perplexing problem. The United States waited 19 years before it expended American citizenship to Porto Rico, but when it did extend it, it also gave universal suffrage, and made that dependency very largely autonomous. The Virgin Islands are at present governed by an extremely antiquated European-colonial régime whose main purpose seems to be to retain white supremacy. In order to vote a man has to have property yielding him \$60 a year or receive an annual income in excess of \$300. It is a significant indication of the low living standards of this community that out of 26,000 people only 424 voted at a recent election in St. Thomas and St. Croix.

In candidly discussing the prospects I must admit two things. First, the denial of citizenship was not a mere ambiguous promise unfulfilled through negligence. It was foreseen and deliberate. How far America tacitly promised the Virgin Islanders citizenship so as to contribute to their lively sense of expectation I cannot undertake to say; but it is admitted that the Negroes here enjoyed the status of Danish citizens on the same terms as other inhabitants of the islands. And it is equally true that when the Danes asked the American Government in 1917 if the immediate right of acquiring American citizenship was to be transferred they were answered in the decided negative.

For all this the authority of M. Constantin Brun, Danish Minister to the United States, and one of the negotiators of the treaty, who said in a letter of Sept. 26, 1921 to the most prominent Negro leader in St. Croix, that such an assurance "would not have been accepted by the United States Government."

**Planters' Franchise Stand**  
Secondly, the planters and leading white citizens of these islands are not any more in favor of extending the voting franchise unconditionally to the Negroes here than they have been in the past. They themselves are an insignificant minority, and, despite all considerations of democracy, even the most liberal of them are not in favor of reflecting their numerical weakness on the polling lists. The Danish administration preserved the fiction that the interests of the disfranchised were to a large extent they lived up to their pretensions. America's practice has generally been, however, to put men on the nominated places on the councils whom it could depend upon, so the islands claim, so even the fiction of disinterestedness does not remain to its credit.

The position is a difficult one and needs broad political understanding to handle it. Americans greatly have improved the opportunities of the Virgin Island Negro for education, and the system of law inclines substantially more in his favor than did that of the Danes. At the same time Americans have held new and greater expectations, and have drawn harder and faster lines against the risk, much more acutely apprehended than by the Danes, of a claim of Negro equality. A force of marines is kept in the islands at the earnest wish of the white proprietors to make sure "discipline" is maintained as between race and race.

Americans have taken legal measures against each of the Negro leaders of the islands for opinions they expressed which were expected would lead to violence, and they have exiled two other Negro leaders for similar reasons. Americans reject the islanders' claim to have a representative commissioner at Washington, knowning full well that such a delegate would most likely be a Negro.

### Purchase of Caribbean Islands Advocated by General Sherrill on Moral and Political Grounds

Special from Monitor Bureau

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Purchase by the United States of foreign-owned islands and other foreign possessions in and around the Caribbean Sea was advocated, on both moral and political grounds, by Brig.-Gen. Charles H. Sherrill in an address at New York University yesterday afternoon. General Sherrill is executive chairman of the Pilgrims' Society of the United States, and was formerly United States Minister to Argentina.

The need for "moral and economic regeneration of the natives," as well as an "intelligent commercial development of most of the regions, was put forward by General Sherrill as one "powerful reason" for the taking over by the United States of additional

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## FINANCES OF STUTZ MOTOR CAR SHOWING GOOD IMPROVEMENT

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 5.—The Stutz Motor Car Company of America, Inc., balance sheet Oct. 31, 1923, shows that the company has further strengthened its quick assets position. As of this date, quick assets amounted to \$2,823,794, of which \$755,860 was in cash. Current liabilities were \$238,932; the ratio of assets to current liabilities being 11.8 to 1.

Net tangible assets, after deducting all liabilities other than capital stock and bonded debt, amounted to \$4,519,365, equivalent to more than four and a half times the \$950,000 bonds outstanding in the hands of the public.

The company has no bank loans outstanding, current liabilities consisting exclusively of current accounts payable, reserves for taxes and similar items. This company during the current year was appropriated considerable sums to enlarge its sales organization, its dealers and distributors at the close of October numbered 199, as compared with 60 on Jan. 1, this year.

Notwithstanding the heavy expenses occasioned by this policy, the company for the 10 months ended Oct. 31, 1923, reported net earnings and other income totaling \$1,073,551. After certain deductions, including interest on bonds, the company reports a net profit for the first 10 months of the current year of \$20,220.

**Mandate Outlined**  
These colonies and Negroes, he went on to say, were brought into Guiana by residents and kept at work under a system resembling peonage. This condition of affairs, General Sherrill argued, could be rectified by complete administration under the United States; this administration, he suggested, might be carried out under a mandate and in conjunction with some neighboring independent country.

The elimination of any danger of serious crises between foreign powers and the nations of the western hemisphere would be secured if the foreign territories of the Caribbean were independent or under the protection of a Pan-American power, said General Sherrill. The spirit of the Monroe Doctrine and of the Jeffersonian doctrine that "European interests have no place in the Americas" would be preserved if the regions in question were brought up by the United States Government.

General Sherrill recalled the naval fight off the Falkland Islands at the beginning of the war, and voiced an apprehension that the mouth of the Panama Canal would be endangered should a similar embargo take place near British Honduras. He characterized several of the islands as the "outposts of our canal."

### Would Halt Bootlegging

General Sherrill told a representative of The Christian Science Monitor that the Caribbean Islands were "unusually active and well-organized source of rumrunning," and that a "sizable proportion" of liquor now being brought to the American seacoasts emanated from there. He declared that control of these "wet" territories by the United States would shut off this annoyance and cited this consideration as "of itself a sufficient incentive to purchase."

The Caribbean Islands include the Greater Antilles and the Lesser Antilles groups, most of which are independent; the Leeward Islands and the Windward Islands, which are divided among the United States, France and the British. The last-named control the majority of these islands.

A prophecy that the great Spanish-speaking republics of South America in time would agglomerate into a powerful and united republic of the south was made by General Sherrill during the course of his remarks on South America. He mentioned the increased ramifications of South American transportation, especially the new tunnel under the Andes Mountains, as an influence toward this confederation. Republics like Chile, Uruguay and Argentina could combine with easy harmony and without any loss of individual prestige, he declared.

General Sherrill added that, should such a union come about, the Chileans would probably control the politics of the new nation and the business men of Uruguay the banking.

**NEARS ROEBUCK SALES UP**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—Sears Roebuck & Co. sales last month totaled \$20,416,666, compared with \$20,196,599 in November, 1922, an increase of \$219,067, or 99 per cent. Sales in the 11 months ended Nov. 30 were \$194,743,706, compared with \$161,400,228 in the corresponding period last year, an increase of \$33,343,478, or 20.65 per cent.

**GRINDING NEW SUGAR CROP**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Private advice to local sugar interests state that the Central Oriente and Caba started grinding the new sugar crop on Monday. This is the first Cuban estate to start grinding operations.

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## GREAT NORTHERN EARNINGS ENJOY REMARKABLE GAIN

Net Income for October Almost Double That of a Year Ago

Remarkable gains in earnings being made by the Great Northern Railway, most strikingly evidenced in the exceptional showing for October, point to net operating income for the 12 months well in excess of \$25,000,000.

The net operating income of \$5,294,338, almost double that for last year, was produced from gross revenues of \$14,158,440. This net and gross are the largest for any month in the history of the Hill system.

The exceptionally low ratio of operating expenses to revenues, which was 53 per cent, reflects the James J. Hill policy of making such expenditures as are necessary during the first half of the year to get road terminals and equipment into top condition to handle the peak traffic which comes to this northern line during the late summer and autumn. This ratio compares with 71.6 per cent for October, 1922.

**Operating Ratio Lower**  
A significant feature for October was that transportation costs were under the corresponding month a year ago, despite the big jump in gross.

Ratio of all the operating expenses to gross were considerably reduced compared with October last year and 10 months' figures for 1922 and 1923. The following table presents the principal operating items and their ratio to gross:

	October	1922	10 months	1922
Mt. of way	\$1,224,330	\$1,380,339	1.1	1.1
Per cent to gross	8.6	9.8		
Mt. equip.	1,557,101	2,146,118	1.8	1.8
Per cent to gross	10.9	15.2		
Transport	4,346,007	4,418,124	0.1	0.1
Per cent to gross	30.6	31.1		

	Ten months		Up
	1923	1922	
Mt of way ....	\$11,502,589	\$11,369,911	18.7
Per ct. to gross ..	13.5	13.4	
Mt equip .....	18,615 899	16,453,510	13.1
Per ct. to gross ..	18.7	19.4	
Transport .....	74,083,166	65,672,727	12.4
Per ct. to gross ..	38.4	40.1	

Of the \$99,443,973 gross, operating expenses took \$74,083,186. Taxes caused a further drain of \$7,392,328, increasing \$669,905 over the 1922 period. Equipment rents fell \$256,902 to \$336,735, while facility rents increased \$2,715.

### Net Operating Income

Net operating income of \$18,569,505 for the 10 months continued heavy freight traffic during the first three weeks of November, ability to curtail shop work and other maintenance charges because of the extensive work done in previous months and prospects for a reasonably good December are the basis for the forecast of \$25,000,000 net operating income for Great Northern in 1923.

Record tonnage has been hauled and there still is much to move to market from the northwest states. A record iron ore business has been handled, but only a small percentage of the tonnage brought only a small percentage of the large gain in earnings. The increase in volume of other traffic having been exceptionally large.

Leading reports to date show November traffic holding up well and with increase in tonnage of principal commodities other than iron ore, which the season has closed. November has been remarkable for favorable weather conditions which permitted handling heavy traffic without exceptional expense.

Should November net operating income exceed \$25,000,000, which appears possible, December operations would have to add less than \$3,000,000 to produce the \$28,000,000 forecast for 1923.

## BUILDING OUTLOOK IS EXCELLENT FOR THE COMING YEAR

In reviewing the building situation, L. C. Watson, president of the Abernethy Company, says:

"Our index shows a drop on Dec. 1 of 3 points from Nov. 1, a total decline of 8 points, or approximately 4 per cent since June 1, when the high point of the year was reached. The falling off in the volume of building is resulting in soft spots in the markets for certain materials, particularly steel, and there has been a recent reduction in the price of Portland cement. The labor situation is changing rapidly and the desire for employment is reflected in greater efficiency."

"Recent indications are that the volume of new construction this winter will continue small, but the outlook for another year is excellent, particularly in the industrial field."

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## ASK REHEARING IN COMBING WOOL CUSTOMS CASE

NEW YORK, Dec. 5 (Special).—The combing wool case, decided several days ago by the United States Court of Customs Appeals in Washington in favor of New York, Philadelphia and Boston merchants, will be reopened if the Government succeeds in gaining favorable consideration for a petition addressed to the appeal court by Asst. Atty.-Gen. William W. Hopkin, in charge of customs litigation.

This case, involving millions of dollars in duty refunds, has attracted wide attention in business circles, in view of the heavy duty refunds involved and the general aspects of the entire controversy, and its importance in establishing tariff precedents.

The appeal court held that combing wools were not dutiable under the Emergency Tariff Act of 1921, thereby reversing a decision by the Board of United States General Appraisers. The decision came as a shock to domestic interests, and they have strongly urged the Government to seek a rehearing.

## FRANCE BALANCES BUDGET THIS YEAR

Official Forecasts Give Assurance of Excess of Receipts—Note Circulation Off

According to official forecasts, France's ordinary budget will balance this year. The ordinary budget provides for the expenses of the French Government apart from expenditures for reconstruction which come under a special budget and are recoverable from Germany.

M. de Lasteyrie, French Minister of Finance, has informed the Finance Commission of the Chamber of Deputies that revenues in the first 10 months of the year have exceeded budget estimates by 2,541,000,000 francs.

The Bankers' Trust Company of New York is advised by its French Information Service, that M. de Lasteyrie's statement to the Finance Commission shows that the revenue from normal sources, which in 1920 did not exceed 14,000,000,000 francs, will this year amount to 21,000,000,000 francs. M. de Lasteyrie announced that the issue of French treasury bills, on Nov. 10, had produced 6,400,000,000 francs of new money realized from the preceding issue last spring have placed 10,400,000,000 francs at the disposal of the treasury.

The Minister of Finance stated that the note circulation in 1923 totaled 29,645,000,000 francs. It has now fallen to 27,848,000,000 francs and will be still further reduced, he predicted.

At the same time the advances made by the Bank of France to the State are being steadily repaid. In 1920 the amount of these advances was 26,600,000,000 francs. At the present time the amount has been reduced to 23,200,000,000 francs.

## FOREIGN BUYERS OF LEAD SEE STEADILY INCREASING DEMAND

BERLIN, Dec. 5.—European lead buyers look for a steadily rising demand for lead in coming months. It is reported the combined Japanese and Chinese demand will total 55,000 tons annually for several years ahead.

Burma with a production reaching 40,000 tons a year and Broken Hill, Australia, are meeting most of this business.

British imports, despite 24,680 tons brought in during September, continue undiminished and prices have risen. This is due partly to the low state of the stocks had fallen during the summer, and to increased building activity as a result of lower construction costs.

In Germany building has come to a standstill. Stinnes, however, some time ago bought 4000 tons of mainly Mexican and American lead, for use in his Ruhr works and for speculative resale. Speculation in metals has declined rapidly in Germany, with the shift of metal prices from paper to gold.

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## ATCHISON LIKELY TO EQUAL FORMER RECORD THIS YEAR

October Best Month in 2 Years—10 Months' Net Income 28 Per Cent Above 1922

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe made the best record in October for both gross and net earnings, of the last two years, gross totaling \$24,139,374, an increase of \$737,187, or 3.1 per cent over the corresponding month of 1922, while net operating income of \$3,986,768 was \$427,765, or 7.7 per cent, higher. The increase in October earnings was made despite a 1.4 per cent decline in freight loadings, because of changes in character of the traffic.

In spite of the fact that several classes of employees received higher wages in October than in the corresponding month last year, the operating ratio was only 66.2 per cent, compared with 67.2 per cent in October, 1922. Part of this achievement is undoubtedly due to greater efficiency and economy, but by October maintenance forces were usually considerably smaller than earlier in the year.

**Net and Gross Gain**  
Earnings for 10 months show that while this year is still considerably above last, the difference is being cut down. This is due to the fact that the operating ratio for the year is only 66.2 per cent, compared with 67.2 per cent in October, 1922.

In the 10 months ended with October gross totaled \$196,709,506, an increase of \$18,007,050, or 9.1 per cent, while net operating income of \$37,592,345 was \$8,235,404, or 28 per cent higher than in the 10 months ended with October, 1922. In the first six months of 1923 gross was 1.4 per cent higher than last year, while net was 8.1 per cent higher.

The operating ratio in the first 10 months of 1923 was only 73.7 per cent, compared with 76.3 per cent last year. Considerably heavier traffic naturally helped bring about this result, while lower wages in the first half of this year also were a factor.

### May Equal Record

While Atchison's gross this year may not exceed the record year 1920, when \$254,249,001 was reported, it is almost certain to better all other years. Net operating income for the year will probably set no new high, but will compare favorably with any previous year.

The following shows gross and net income for 10 months of this year, and for 12 months of the previous six years:

	Gross	Net
1923 (10 months)	\$196,709,506	\$37,592,345
1922	225,134,244	40,003,402
1921	228,525,069	41,268,307
1920	254,249,001	24,005,615
1919	209,500,007	38,035,551
1918	187,658,222	40,850,206
1917	165,529,519	48,348,700

Should Atchison do as well in November and December as did last year, gross for the full year would total \$241,631,543 and net operating income \$48,238,805.

### MOTOR MERGER ABANDONED

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—Confirmation of reports that the proposed merger of the Studebaker and Maxwell Motor companies has been abandoned was furnished today by James C. Brady, a director of the Maxwell Corporation, who declared that the overtures for such a union came from the Studebaker Corporation.

### GENERAL MOTORS EMPLOYEES

The number of General Motors employees on Oct. 31 for the first time exceeded 100,000. This compares with 63,856 in Oct. 1922, and 49,125 in October, 1921.

## FORD EXPORTS 165,122 CARS IN TEN MONTHS

The Ford Motor Company export sales, including Canada, during 10 months of this year totaled 165,122 cars and trucks, or approximately 11 per cent of the sales in this country, which totaled 1,522,340. Combined foreign and domestic sales for 10 months were 1,684,324. Sales were distributed among 13 foreign divisions as follows: Canada and Canadian export, 37,990; Antwerp, 11,382; Barcelona, 8548; Bordeaux, 11,220; Copenhagen, 23,185; United Kingdom and Ireland, 28,168; Trieste, 2387; Buenos Aires, 15,550; Sao Paulo, 7272; Montevideo, 2263; Havana, 3416; Mexico, 4677, and miscellaneous, 9089.

During 10 months of this year exports of cars and trucks from the United States were 127,132, compared with 87,015 for the entire year of 1922 and 87,764 for 1921. Tractor exports were 10,712, of which 7429 were from American plants and 3292 from Ford Motor Company of Canada.

Of 69,260 cars and trucks produced in the Canadian plants, 37,990 were sold in Canada and 31,270 exported.

Shipments to Japan increased from 675 in September to 2030 in October following the earthquake.

## CUSTOMS BOARD JUDGE RETIRES

NEW YORK, Dec. 5 (Special).—Judge Eugene G. Hay, member of the Board of United States General Appraisers for the past 20 years, has just retired as a member of that customs tribunal. This created a vacancy on this important body which President Coolidge will be called upon to fill.

The appointment is for life, and carries with it a salary of \$9000 per annum. Judge Hay wrote many important rulings while a member of the customs tribunal, and has also taken an active participation in all tariff matters.

### DITCH-SHELL COMBINE'S YEAR

LONDON, Dec. 5.—Expectations are that the Royal Dutch-Shell combine will make a record in 1923. The combine's operation than last, despite the slump. This year's turnover will be close to 14,000,000 tons, compared with about 10,000,000 tons last year. Shell Transport & Trading Company last year earned a net profit of £1,523,150 and Royal Dutch Petroleum £1,730,478 for the year, and declared dividends of 22½ per cent tax free and 1½ per cent on the common, respectively.

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## Erie Issues Feature of the Trading—Some Good Gains Made

Stock prices moved irregularly higher at the opening of today's New York stock market, buying being influenced by the overnight report that a compromise bill had been reached to permit the election of Speaker at today's session of Congress.

Erie common and second preferred again established new 1923 tops and again Knicker Hosiery advanced a point. Du Pont dropped 1/4.

The sale of a block of 10,000 shares of Erie common at 21 1/2, up 1/4, was the feature of the early trading. The whole market headed upward before the end of the first half hour. General Electric showing a net gain of 2 1/2 points, at a new high for the year, while Chesapeake & Ohio, Willy, and land preferred, Houston Oil, Martin and Manhattan Shirt gained 1/4.

Congoleum and U. S. East Iron Pipe were among the few heavy stocks.

Foreign exchanges opened irregular and then advanced.

## Specialists Make Good Gains

Encouraged by the strength of Erie Railroad issues, which moved up to 3 points before noon, professional traders resumed their campaign for higher prices in other sections of the list, lifting nearly dozen stocks to new high records for the year.

Low-priced rails were in good demand, at higher prices, but the best gains were made by specialists. Woolworth jumped nearly 6 points to a new 1923 top.

Gains of 2 and 3 points were registered by Goodrich Rubber preferred, Mack Truck, Market Street preferred, and preferred and second preferred. The old line specialties, favorites such as the independent steels, American Can, Studebaker and American Sugar rose smartly after midday when the general buying movement assumed a much more active character. A number of ordinarily inactive shares made striking advances, including American Radiator, which was up four points at a new high for the year. Phillips Petroleum was an exception, declining a point.

## Erie Bonds Strong

Strength and activity of Erie railroad mortgages, three of which touched new high prices for the year, featured the early bond trading in this district. The general 4s moved up 1/4, consolidated 4s 1/2, and the convertible 4s, Series D, 1/2. Several sales were made also of convertible 4s, Series B, at advanced 1/4. Denver & Rio Grande refunding 5s at a price 1/2 points higher than yesterday's close.

Foreign government bonds also were active and stronger, some of the Scandinavian issues advancing as much as a dollar, with some activity in the more speculative issues. There was a change in the U. S. Government bonds.

INTERUPTION IN  
PIG IRON OUTPUT  
ONLY TEMPORARY

BIRMINGHAM, Dec. 5.—The pig iron market will take only a brief breather from the holidays in this district, according to indications. There will be no interruption in the iron make.

The Alabama Company has blown out a furnace for repairs. Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron Company, which received most of the blast during the recent activities, has four furnaces in full blast and can start one or two more on short time. This company also expects to start a third furnace in the near future. The company has a stock of surplus iron within a couple of months.

The Woodward Iron Company with three furnaces in blast will soon be ready to start a fourth, while Republic Iron & Steel Company has two furnaces making iron and will be able to replace one of them when repairing practically in shape for production.

Tennessee Coal, Iron & Railroad Company is undergoing the process of eliminating the 12-hour day at its blast furnaces in the Birmingham district. With two exceptions, the 10 blast furnaces are on basic iron. Two furnaces are on foundry iron. From time to time another furnace produces ferro-manganese. Manganese ore from Brazil is being steadily brought up the Warrior River from Mobile.

DOWNWARD TREND  
OF GRAIN PRICES  
ON CHICAGO BOARD

CHICAGO, Dec. 5.—In the absence of any aggressive buying, wheat prices had a downward tendency today during the early dealings. The opening, which varied from unchanged figures to 3/4c lower, was followed by a slight recovery and then by a moderate general decline.

After an opening unchanged to 3/4c higher, May 1st's price, the corn market declined all around to a little below yesterday's finish.

Oats started unchanged to 3/4c higher, May 1st's, and later sagged a trifle. Provisions were steady, in line with the hog market.

DU PONT TO BUY  
ALLIS-CHALMERS  
PLANT, IS REPORT

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 5.—Negotiations for the purchase and development of the Du Ponts of the Allis-Chalmers shipping plant at Bridgeburg, Ont., with an expenditure of \$4,700,000 are reported under way, according to the Buffalo Times. The plans, the Times says, include the building of a model city for the housing of employees.

The Allis-Chalmers plant occupies 600 acres. It was built during the early part of the war and has been idle since the armistice.

PARIS, Dec. 5.—The American dollar standard for fixing steamship rates from French ports to the United States and transatlantic lines in Paris, including the Government-subsidized French line, Compagnie Generale Transatlantique, which refuses to quote passenger tariffs, has been set at 100 francs. The plan became effective Dec. 1.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—Consols for money today were 119 1/2 and 120 1/2. Rand Mines 3 1/2. Money was 4 1/2. 4 1/2 per cent three months' bills 3 1/2 per cent.

## NEW YORK CURB NEW YORK BONDS

(Quotations to 2:30 p. m.)

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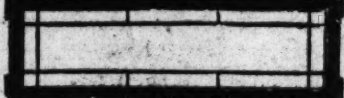
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## THE HOME FORUM

## Oxford's Priceless Book

AS YOU ascend the broad and solemn creaking wooden stairs that lead to the main hall of the Bodleian, you see at the entrance a simple glass-covered case. Standing immediately in your way it challenges your respectful attention. But should you pass it by, intent upon the ancient glories of walls and ceiling, you would miss Oxford's greatest single treasure. For in the very corner of the case you will see lying open an original First Folio of Shakespeare. Very interesting, remarks the traveler from America, with casual glance, but we have no less than fifty First Folios across the Atlantic, and there are more than a hundred others in England. True enough, but England and America and the whole wide world together have only one Turbutt Folio, and this is it.

This Cinderella of the Folio family is the original volume sent by the Stationers' Company to the Bodleian library at Oxford late in 1623 or early in 1624, according to the act of Parliament then recently enacted, by which Sir Thomas Bodley's newly established collection received every book printed in Great Britain. It was duly bound and chained as usual to the shelf. To its pages the Oxford undergraduate—and perhaps even some of the dons—must repair if they would enjoy escape from their Homer and Vergil in the magic world of the poet's plays. For it is doubtful if any of the previous quarto editions of the sixteen dramas printed during Shakespeare's lifetime were allowed on the shelves, since the worthy Sir Thomas had expressly banned "all manner of plays," and such like frivolous works. Through this single volume then it was that Oxford became, at least "officially," acquainted with our greatest literature.

For no less than forty years, through ten Oxford generations, this book was quite literally "the Oxford Shakespeare." Then in 1663, when the third Folio appeared (following the second of 1632) and the Bodleian received its copy in due course, the original folio was deemed superfluous and was sold off for probably less than its first market price of one pound. It disappeared for over half a century, to turn up casually early in the eighteenth century in the library of Richard Turbutt, Esquire, of Ogston Hall, in Derbyshire. It remained in the Turbutt family library quite unnoticed until G. M. R. Turbutt brought it into the light of day in 1902. Examination of its original Oxford binding immediately proved beyond question its identity, and it was joyfully acclaimed as one of the memorable literary recoveries of all time. Oxford graduates immediately raised three thousand pounds and restored the precious treasure, after its ab-

sence of two hundred sixty years, to its original home in the Bodleian, where it will repose while the spires of Oxford rise toward heaven.

Such associations alone place this book among the few most interesting and precious single volumes in the English-speaking world. But it has still greater significance. Through minute, microscopic scrutiny of every page the scholars have plotted the curve of the wear and tear undergone by every part. Elaborate tables now show exactly what plays were most read and even what parts of the plays were most absorbing to the Oxonians, young and old, of those forty years between 1623 and 1663. We are not reduced to mere conjecture about the taste of that generation. We know positively that "Romeo and

in baskets and bundles. The heavy team creaks and jolts and crashes along, more and more slowly. It is a rather steep grade and louder growl the driver's shouts of "Arre! Arre! macho!" to the wheel mule.

Suddenly the noises echo back as from an obstacle ahead. Above on the hillside, encircling a city, looms in the moonlight a great grey wall with towers. Surely, we are far back in the days of the feudal barons amid all the glittering trappings of the past! Or is it a fairy city of some Spanish Avalon and shall we enter only to dream enchanted for a hundred years?

The mules quicken their pace to a trot—the bells on the harness jingle, and we fill, completely fill, an ancient gateway. Luckily the driver's shout has warned belated pedestrians not to dispute the entrance. And through narrow winding streets with one side

## Aeolian Harps

Written for The Christian Science Monitor

Soft, soft, how their wailing strings Pluck from air the wind-songs And turn the wind-songs into visions Of old Greece.

Urns of pale marble, Smooth-rounded, exquisite, In gardens of delight Of olive trees, myrtle— Perhaps a Greek girl walking there In full-blown grace Her bare feet crushing The green grasses— Aeolian harps!

If I should fix them In my howling fierce New England wind, They would scream Of Jason, or Ulysses.

Stephen F. Harris.

of the prairies, miles and miles in every direction.

"Is this the bald-headed?" I asked in a low voice, as though touching on something almost sacred. "This is the bald-headed," he answered, solemnly. "See, everywhere, sky an' grass—sky an' grass. Ab, there, there's an exception."

I followed the line of his extended arm. Far across the plains I saw a flashing light, as of a heliograph. "The window of a settler's shanty, twenty miles from here, if it's a foot," he explained. "Look how green the grass is. The evenin' light makes it that way, somehow."

It was true. The grass had taken a deeper shade of green with the light falling across it. The sun hung like a yellow ball, and the long shadows of our horses and wagon stretched down the slope of the little hill. But the most impressive of all

## Christianity Applied

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THE serious questionings so frequently voiced today by publicists and statesmen whether civilization is to endure, are ominous expressions, which give one pause. It seems that mankind must have failed in a great degree to put into practice the teachings of the Founder of Christianity, else such doubts could not arise. For nearly twenty centuries, the world has had before it the teachings of the Master, which show the way to salvation and peace; yet so little, apparently, has been accomplished toward inculcating the sense of righteousness and true brotherhood that the question is now seriously asked, Can society go on under existing conditions?

There is a considerable group, touched with the blight of pessimism, whose answers to this question are in the negative; but, it may be said, the true Christian is never in doubt. To the statement that Christianity has failed to do its work—and proof is offered in the present unsettled and chaotic conditions—is the reply that true Christianity, as taught and practiced by the Nazarene, has not failed, because it is based upon divine Principle and constitutes the truth, which never changes and, in consequence, can never fail. The failure has been in not applying it. Christ Jesus declared that he came not to destroy but to fulfill, and surely the fulfillment of the "law of the Spirit of life," which Paul declared frees from "the law of sin and death," is the remedy for mankind's distraught conditions.

Christian Science is today presenting to the world the teachings of Jesus in their original simplicity; and in proof of its genuineness are offered many of the works which he performed, and which he assured his followers would be accomplished by them who should believe in the truth of his teachings and the divinity of his mission. These works include the healing of sickness, the regeneration of the sinful, and the promotion of God's kingdom as a present possibility, to be realized here and now. Too frequently, it would seem, Christianity has been regarded as the healing agency for moral issues alone; but Christian Science is demonstrating its practicability as a remedial means for all the woes of mankind, whatsoever their nature, however serious, and of however long standing they may seem to be.

On page 373 of Mrs. Eddy's leading work, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," we find this concise statement: "If we are Christians on all moral questions, but are in darkness as to the physical exemption which Christianity includes, then we must have more faith in God on this subject and be more alive to His promises." In proof of her words is offered the

healing of all types of disease, including the so-called functional as well as the so-called organic and chronic. But Christian Science by no means stops there; in fact, the healing of disease is the direct result of the regeneration which takes place in consciousness when the fallacious beliefs which cause disease are destroyed. This may be equivalently expressed thus: the advent of the Christ, Truth, in human consciousness destroys the beliefs of sickness, sin, and death, which constitute so large a part of mortal thinking. By this process, mortals are regenerated, born anew.

This is the experience which Paul described as putting off the "old man," that is, the mistaken mortal belief about man, and putting on the "new," the understanding of the perfect man of God's creation. This is the gaining of the Mind "which was also in Christ Jesus"; and through it mankind is regenerated and enters the kingdom of heaven. This is the direct application of Christianity; and it is of great importance to humanity.

In this practical application of Christianity is found the answer to the kind of pessimism which forebodes dark days. It solves the problems of humanity in the best, the only way; that is, on the basis of divine Principle. This application of the Christ, Truth, breaks down the barriers which separate mankind into groups called nations, and brings out the true sense of brotherhood. When it is learned that all men are brethren, that all are equally the sons of God, upon whom a benevolent Father is bestowing all good, the walls of separation will be razed. Good alone will then be promoted, and each will seek his own in another's welfare.

It has been indubitably proved that the old ways, the ways of selfishness, will never save mankind from the results of its own wickedness. Rather will humanity, under this regimen, be plunged deeper into the maelstrom of mortality. Salvation is not won in this way. Only by establishing true Christianity, only by truly loving our neighbor, will hatred and animosity disappear, and peace and true affection reign. On page 9 of Science and Health, Mrs. Eddy says of the importance of the question, "Dost thou love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind? . . . This is the El Dorado of Christianity. It involves the Science of Life, and recognizes only the divine control of Spirit, in which Soul is our master, and material sense and human will have no place." The mastery of the senses, then, through spiritual understanding is applied Christianity.

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Juliet—could we not guess it?—was the most popular. Next, among the tragedies, comes "Julius Caesar," and then "Macbeth" and "Hamlet."

When we turn to the tables of the historical plays, it is illuminating to find that the university men of that period of the civil wars and the commonwealth found little interest in the Elizabethan's enthusiastic revivification of England's past. The most popular play, in this group of no less than ten, is the most humorous, Part I of "Henry IV," and this shows the same wear as the third of the favorite tragedies, "Macbeth." None of the comedies, moreover, strangely enough, were as popular as the first three tragedies; "As You Like It" and "The Merry Wives of Windsor" are the only ones to show signs of being much perused, taking their relative rank beside "Hamlet." Not even "Twelfth Night," "Much Ado About Nothing," or even "Antony and Cleopatra" lured England's cultured youth. Nothing could draw them back to the chained volume like "Romeo and Juliet." . . . On its leaves the telltale evidence is recorded for all time. The lower corner of the page opposite the second balcony scene of Act III, scene 5, is literally worn—not torn away, where countless thumbs rubbed the margin of the leaf. Youth in that generation, as in every other, delighted in the mingled rapture and yearning of that parting, when it was the lark that sings so out of tune.

Straining harsh discords and unpleasant sharps,—

and when Romeo protests,

I am content, so thou wilt have it so.

I'll say you grey is not the morning's brow;

'Tis but the pale reflex of Cynthia's brow;

Nor that is not the lark, whose notes do beat

The vaulted heaven so high above our heads.

Who shall say that young Oxford's verdict of the seventeenth century went astray? Is not their verdict, even happily recovered for us, supported still by the perennial choice of "the great variety of readers" to whom the editors, Heminge and Condell, dedicated the Folio?

"Read him, therefore, and again and again," these same editors bade us three hundred years ago. "And then if you do not like him, surely you are in some manifest danger not to understand him." Oxford selected the plays which it could "understand," and read them "again and again." Its choices so recorded constitute much of the value of its priceless book.

P. K.

## Avila

Across the plain from Madrid the evening train creeps trundling along until late at night it finds the little station on the Vega. For the railroads and towns of Castile are never of one mind as regards location—utility differs for them. Railroads built in the nineteenth century travel best on the plain, and the towns were built many centuries ago on the hills for safety's sake. So from the station the bulky diligence drawn by four mules, having met the train rattles off to town, halted momentarily by the local customs man who flashes a lantern about and pokes

silver bright and the other black in shadow, goes the diligence to stop before a dark doorway with a dim light above.

Roman, barbarian, Moor and Christian in turn have won and held this hilltown, but it seems ageless, old yet young, lying in the moonlight, girdled with the magic of its great wall, its frowning towers and narrow gates. Truly, if you would savor the past, enter the gates of Avila late on a moonlight night.

Carmel by the Pacific

Far on the kelp the heron stands for awhile at rest.

The lichen-colored breaker hollows a leaning breast.

Desolate, hard and tawny, the sands lie clean and wide.

Dry with the wafted sea-wind, wet with the fallen tide.

Early the autumn sunset tinges to mauve the foam;

Shyly the rabbit, feeding, crosses the road to home.

Daylight, lingering golden, touches the tallest tree.

Ere the rain, like silver harp-strings, comes slanting in from the sea.

—George Sterling.

Spread Wings

The most inspiring and exciting sound made by migrating birds is that which comes from a flock of Canada geese.

In the distance a faint sound is heard, it comes nearer and nearer—the sound of many voices—

of hounds in the chase, of brazen instruments, the honking of geese, a multitude talking at once. The sound grows louder and louder. I rush out of a bushy thicket, where the trees obscure the sky, and climb to the peak of the nearest dune. Here come the birds, a hundred or more of them, now in a long line abreast, now in perfect V-shape, now massing together in a loose flock. They sweep on in glorious strength of wing and pass overhead and the babel of tongues is almost a deafening clangor, and the sight of the great birds, each with his long neck stretched eagerly toward his home in the northland, becomes an inspiration. The voices grow less loud, become faint and occasional and then cease. All is quiet again but the sight and the sound of this migrating flock are long to be treasured in the memory.

"How oft against the sunset sky or moon

I watched that moving zig-zag of spread wings

In unforgotten autumns gone too soon

In unforgotten springs!

"Creatures of desolation! Far they fly

Above all lands bound by the curling foam

In misty fens, wild moors and trackless sky

These wild things have their home.

"Dark flying rune against the western glow

It tells the sweep and loneliness of things.

Symbol of autumns vanished long ago.

Symbol of coming springs."

—Charles Wendell Townsend, in "Beach Grass."

ARCHITECTURE is simple art in the desert villages of Algeria, an affair of palm trunks and beaten earth.

The resulting buildings recall the Euclidean figure of our youth "whose opposite sides are not parallel and whose angles are not right angles."

Devious lanes traverse the thick cluster of low, windowless houses, which in their crude simplicity and earthy color seem like the work of some race of giant insects.

These lanes, which contain a few primitive shops, debouch in the market place, often by a deep gate or tunnel under some higher building, the house perhaps of some local magnate.

The market place is a center of much animation, donkeys and camels are driven in with their loads, the white-robed natives pass to and fro and there is a sound of excited bargaining.

In the gates of the market place there are convenient cafes where the Arabs gather for business, gossip, games and refreshment. Here one may sit for hours entranced in the study of the native scene and of the fascinating light effects as the strong sun pours down and the gracefully clad figures with their bold features pass in and out of the pits of shadow.

Sidi Okba, though but a village, is a place of some resort for pilgrims, for here the great Arab leader, Okba ibn Nafi, in the year 684, led his host against the infidel, when the tidal wave of Muhammadanism swept over North Africa. And here in the simple mosque one may see the hero's monument.

The Canadian Prairie

All that day we continued through the prairies, with here and there a belt of scrubland to cut across the vision.

All that day we rambled more and more in the field of fancy—happy imaginings of the things we would do with those farms of ours which lay out there, somewhere to the westward, waiting only to be claimed.

And as evening came on we watched our first prairie sunset. There were no quick dusk and darkness, as in the East; the sun hung low in the western sky, and as it descended swung steadily to the northward.

As it fell, feather-like ruffles of cloud almost overhead burst to colour in the richest mauves and crimsons, and long ribbons in the west floated like golden islands in a sea of amber, caught the glow and silently unfolded a glory of pink and yellow and orange and crimson and burnished brass. Silently and slowly the sun dipped into the prairies as into a world-wide sea, but the sunset continued; long after the great orb itself had disappeared, its radiance filled the western heavens, and even while the grey twilight gathered behind us our train seemed speeding forward into a lake of saffron. . . .

On account of one afternoon rest Jack drove until almost sundown. We were now in a slightly rolling country, and suddenly he swung from the trail and pulled up on the top of a little knoll. From this little vantage point we could see the unbroken sweep

was the silence, a silence as of heaven and earth brooding, brooding, brooding, over this scene as they had done from the dawn of time.

The prairies were a never-ceasing source of delight and wonder. Almost overnight, it seemed, they had blossomed out in myriads of flowers, mauve and yellow, so thick that at places they almost hid the grass from sight. The girls plucked handfuls of them and arranged the downy stems in the bands of their sunbonnets.

Saucy gophers mounted the little mounds of moist earth in front of their burrows and sent their shrill whistle defiantly forth, save when a well-aimed clod from Jack or me brought the note to an end in a sudden sharp crescendo, accompanied by a flicker of a jaunty tail as the owner took refuge underground. In a moment, if we watched, we would see his sharp eyes levelled on us through the grass at the mouth of his burrow, or perhaps he would appear from another exit and send forth his shrill challenge more saucily than ever. Coyotes we frequently saw; a badger once or twice, and one day figures at a great distance which we took to be antelope.

Innumerable ducks flew overhead, and the nights were at times almost sleepless with the clanging of wild geese, wedging their way to the nesting grounds in the north.—Robert Stead, in "Neighbours."

James Elroy Flecker

He was very proud to be a poet and unusually conscious of being one. He never used the word without a little flourish. Most men of his generation avoided so calling themselves: they said, with a gesture of deprecation, that they wrote verse. "Flecker had no sympathy with this attitude. "Here," he says, in the preface to his one novel, "is a tale such as only a Poet can write for you. O appreciative and generous public!" He knew he was a poet, and he knew very well that to say so was to make a claim far greater than that of the man who says he is a solicitor or a painter. It implies not only a profession but also genius in the exercise of that profession. But he thought perhaps that it was almost his duty to make this claim, since he believed it to be a just one and since the poets of his time, by excessive modesty, had lowered in public esteem the whole caste of poets. I remember a notice by him of some book in a university journal, in which, to explain the use of one of his own pieces as an illustration, he asked why the exponents of the Higher Drama should have a monopoly of self-advertisement.

I remember, too, that I once asked Rupert Brooke to tell me all that he knew of Flecker. He answered very readily and talked for an hour or more. But of all that he said then I can now recollect only two things. He described how Flecker came to visit him at Grantham, poling a canoe up the river at night. There were lanterns in the bow and stern and Flecker, dressed in flannels, a tall, swarthy and rather sinister figure, erect in the canoe, wore a garland of red flowers on his head. The second recollection is more to my point. It was, said Brooke, for ever talking about his own poetry. However the conversation began, that was always how it ended. "We used," Brooke told me, "to argue for hours which of us

wrote the better poems. But, you know," he added, with a touch of self-consciousness and laughing naïveté, "I could always see that he really did think his were the better."—Edward Shanks, in The London Mercury.

## The Old English Ballads

Apart from the deep charm of the ballads, many of them have a great historical value. They picture for us the life and customs of the time; they describe clothes, weapons and interiors, and sometimes they tell us how the people felt toward the laws and the law-givers. Surely the historians of tomorrow will learn more of a day that is passing by reading these ballads.

These ballads possess an essentially British characteristic—their appreciation of nature. Time and time again have we read lovely lines of the greenwood. Who ever thinks of Robin Hood away from the greenwood? . . .

In summer when the shaves be sheen And leaves be large and long, It is full of merriment in feyre foreste To heare the foulis song.

To see the dere draw to the dale, And leve the hilles tree And shadow them in the leves grene Under the grene-wode tree. . . .

Scattered throughout the whole ballad literature are delightfully sure sketches of Nature—just a line here and there, telling of a "flowery meadow," "the gossams growing gaily," of a vale where "the primrose spreads so sweetly"; where "the norian flowers spring bonny"; sunlight on "the fernie breme"; on "the cherry tree in blossom"; on "cows lowing in the glen"; on "goss-hawks a-flaun their wings sae wide"; on "milk-white swans" and "milk-white does"; on "ladies straight as willow-wands"; and with what economy of words do the old singers' describe scenery or weather:

The wind doth blow today my love And a few small drops of rain.

The hallow days o' Yule are come The nights are lang an' dark.

When the green leaves are falling,

on a midsummer day

When it rained, it did rain small.

Yt fell abowght the Lamassé tyde



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"First the blade, then the ear,  then the full grain in the ear"

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## EDITORIALS

**South Dakota Sets a Pace**

POLITICIANS who like to prognosticate the future from a very small political phenomenon in the present, much as the archaeologist will reconstruct a prehistoric mammoth from a fossilized fragment of its jawbone, will find much significance in the results of the popular primary in South Dakota, announced yesterday. And indeed, there is matter of political importance in the outcome of this first popular expression of the people's choice for presidential candidates. South Dakota is not a large state. Its share in the Electoral College is but five votes. Yet at the present moment what it says has a significance out of proportion to the size of its electorate.

For it is in the very center of that agrarian north-west which is supposed to be radical and highly antagonistic to the rather conservative Republicanism which President Coolidge may fairly be taken to represent. Its people are farmers, its interests purely agricultural. Though less intimately associated with the farm bloc than the senators and representatives from the states to the north and east of it, the South Dakota representation in Congress is, nevertheless, sympathetic to that movement.

When these facts are considered it seems rather amazing that President Coolidge should have defeated, in South Dakota, by a majority of at least two to one, Hiram Johnson, whose candidacy is offered as peculiarly that of a progressive. This outcome is not to be regarded merely as the result of the great influence which a President in office can exert. We think that it rather indicates a sincere appreciation on the part of the South Dakota Republicans of the qualities of President Coolidge, of the fact that he was himself a farmer's boy, and has—except when in attendance upon his duties at the State Capitol—been a resident of a farming community, so that if any man in public life may be expected to know the needs of the farmer and to sympathize with their just demands, it is he. Unquestionably, the verdict of South Dakota is going to exert a marked influence over the Republican primary voters in other states.

Nor is this verdict to be taken in any sense as a pronouncement for ultra-conservatism. After all, in a homogeneous community like South Dakota, people are very much of the same fundamental opinions, whether they vote a Democratic or a Republican primary ticket. Indeed, shrewd and unprejudiced observers nowadays complain that the line of divergence between the two parties is a very shadowy one, and hard for the voter to recognize. And so we find that while the Republican voters of South Dakota were registering their approval for President Coolidge, the Democratic voters, by an even more exemplary majority, were selecting as their candidate Mr. William G. McAdoo over Henry Ford. It may be urged that in the Democratic contest neither candidate could be classed in any sense as conservative. But among the many names seriously presented for the Democratic nomination, that of Mr. McAdoo may be fairly stated to represent the progressive faction in the Democratic Party. The voters of South Dakota left no doubt that that was the type of democracy they wish to uphold. As in the case of the Republican candidate, their pronouncement on this subject will undoubtedly exercise great influence in the states in which primaries are yet to be held.

The importance of the verdict of the South Dakota Republicans was, in our judgment, materially enhanced by their declaration for Senator Capper as the nominee for Vice-President. Mr. Capper is a fine product of the farming middle west—a farmer, a journalist, and a statesman. Alliance between his friends and those of the President would result in a very attractive combination to present to the voters of the Nation.

ECONOMISTS and political theorists have delighted, since time immemorial, in speculating upon the approach, now near, now remote, of what may be termed the ultimate limit of progress in industry.

### The Ultimate Limit of Progress

Latterly that condition is more often referred to by so-called experts as the "saturation point," which may be understood, if one is speaking of steel rails, as a condition in which there is no longer a market for that commodity; or if speaking of cotton goods, shoes, sugar, or automobiles, as one where the consumer no longer looks to the producer for articles once needed and demanded. But it is reassuring to note the fact that seldom, if ever, in America, has such a condition existed, despite the fluctuations of foreign exchanges, the shifting of trade balances, and the failure of consumers in other countries to buy the products of American mills and factories.

Judge Elbert H. Gary, long identified with the steel manufacturing industry in the United States, is credited with the statement that, in his opinion, this so-called saturation point will never be reached unless the progress of the country be artificially arrested by the people themselves. Judge Gary, whatever his convictions upon some matters may be, is, admittedly, a close student and a clear observer of industrial affairs. It is his opinion that, despite the almost unprecedented development of industries in the United States, the limit of progress has not even been approached, and "if there is to be one, it is so remote as not to be worth speculating about."

Significant reference is made to the fact that while in 1900 the population of the United States was about 76,000,000, and is now approximately 110,000,000, showing an increase of 45 per cent, the increase in steel production since 1900 has been 300 per cent. While, as Judge Gary observes, the export trade in steel has been considerable, it has, barring the war years, taken a com-

paratively small proportion of the total production. The great market has been, as it continues to be, in the United States. Steel is admittedly a basic industry, and may be taken as an index to prevailing industrial and business conditions. The conclusion of Judge Gary, reasonable upon its face, is that the consumptive power of the country has increased more rapidly than the population.

The observation points unfailingly to the lesson to be learned. There is business enough and work enough for all. Continued prosperity is assured if selfishness can be forgotten. Neither producer nor buyer can control prices arbitrarily. There can be no sale, either of commodities or services, unless buyer and seller agree. Temporary hindrances and misunderstandings cannot forever check the tide of true prosperity. The alarmist seeks to preach convincingly his doctrine of unrest, but he has fewer and fewer listeners. The figures refute all his specious arguments.

ONE of the subjects of internal politics in France which arouses most interest is that of the relations of the Republic with the Vatican; and the virtual resignation of M. Jonart from the post of Ambassador at the Vatican gives occasion for a survey of the changed situation. It is only a generation ago that France and the Vatican were in the strongest antagonism. Although France is nominally a Roman Catholic country, there is a great deal of liberal thought which denounces clericalism as a peril, and when the Roman Catholic Church endeavored to exercise a political control over France all diplomatic relations with the Vatican ceased. Now that the subject has again come to the forefront of the news, it is desirable to summarize what has lately been done in France.

In the first place, France has now definitely re-established an embassy at Rome to deal with the Vatican, in addition to the embassy which deals with the Italian Government. In other words, the political and diplomatic influence of the papal institutions is recognized. Then, it is pointed out by those who defend this action that the Vatican has recognized as *aumônier-général*—a high official of the church—a French bishop in Rhineland and in the Saar, instead of the German bishops who combat France, and who, it is claimed, have now lost their jurisdiction. This may or may not be a good thing for France, but it would seem idle to pretend that it has no political significance, and that the Vatican has not lent itself to forwarding French diplomatic aims. In the same way it is boasted that France has obtained the nomination of a bishop with full authority in the French zone of Morocco, although previously the recruitment of the clergy throughout Morocco was a privilege of the Spanish religious authorities. Again, it is claimed that in the Near East, where France has certain ambitions, such as in Syria, France has secured various moral advantages for the French religious establishments, advantages which had not been accorded to them previously by the Vatican.

In three different spheres, then, it is urged that the Vatican is helping France—in Rhineland as against Germany, in Morocco as against Spain, and in the Near East as against adherents of other religions. There is no need to discuss these claims further, but it should at least be noted that religious privileges are being used for diplomatic purposes.

It is obvious that the Vatican is asking, and will ask, its price for these things. There is a project of law which would authorize specifically the return of the principal "congregations" of missionaries, which the Republic only a few years ago considered it necessary to expel from France. There is a nuncio of the Pope at Paris, Mgr. Ceretti, who in order to give the church a more legal footing has presented officially to M. Poincaré proposals for Associations Diocésaines approved by the Pope. On this subject, however, there arise difficulties, the Vatican apparently demanding more than the Government is prepared to give, and the French bishops apparently demanding even more than the Vatican. The Pope intimated that he would publish a decree authorizing the bishops to create these Associations Diocésaines only when the Chamber had voted for them as an institution. The Pope, however, then published a letter concerning reparations which offended French public opinion, and the discussion in Parliament was adjourned. It will now be taken up because the Pope, in another letter, after démarches made by M. Jonart, has affirmed the right of the creditors of Germany to obtain payments, to seize pledges, and to evacuate the Ruhr only as payments are effected. Once more it is clear that the theory that the Vatican does not intervene in politics cannot be maintained.

It is an undoubted fact that the Vatican since the war has been making a new bid for temporal power, and it has become impossible to prevent the subject from being ventilated during the electoral period, for the Radicals hold that this encouragement may easily lead to the former difficulties due to clerical interference in the internal life of France, and a renewal of the bitter strife of other days.

MIGRATION to the overseas Dominions is regarded with favor in Great Britain, not only because it is an outlet for the reserve of unemployed, but because every prosperous British settler in the Dominions is a potential consumer of British goods. The British trade policy for more than half a century has been based on the understanding, indeed, that prosperous exporting depended upon prosperous markets the world over. But in recent years special circumstances have tended to direct British trading enterprise particularly to the overseas Dominions.

In the Canadian market, the products of British industry have enjoyed a substantial tariff preference during the last twenty-five years. The presence of so many settlers from Great Britain in the Dominion must have contributed largely toward creating political sentiment in

favor of preferential tariffs for British goods, just as the presence of settlers from the United States in the western provinces may tend to inspire the desire for reciprocity in trade between the Republic and the Dominion.

During the last fiscal year in Canada, imports of British goods totaled about \$115,000,000—of which \$92,000,000 in value entered under the preferential tariff. The duties on this volume of British goods amounted to nearly \$18,000,000. Assuming that the tariff preference to Great Britain is approximately one-third of the general tariff, the British exporter enjoyed a benefit of about \$9,000,000 from the Canadian policy of preference last fiscal year. In the previous year, the benefit amounted to about \$7,000,000.

Under the circumstances, it is evidently good business for Great Britain to encourage the flow of migration from Britain's shores to Canada. It may reasonably be regarded as a sound investment to draw liberally on the British treasury to assist overseas settlement in the Dominions. The benefit is mutual, for Canada needs more settlers just as much as Great Britain needs more prosperous markets abroad. With such economic interests in common, a greater co-operative effort between the mother country and the Dominions to promote migration under the British flag should be one important outcome of this year's conference of premiers in London.

DR. ALFRED E. STEARNS, head master of Phillips Andover Academy, at Andover, Mass., showed good sense and no little knowledge of humanity when he declared at a dinner of the Episcopal Club of Massachusetts that, regardless of the agencies that are working against him, the average boy of today will grow up to be a virile and polished man.

There is so much talk in some quarters about the depravity of youth that it would sometimes almost appear as if an effort was being made to depreciate his good qualities to the advantage of the former generation. Dr. Stearns sees things differently, however, from many others, and actually had the temerity to say a word in defense of "the creature known as boy," who had previously been made the subject of a number of uncomplimentary remarks.

It is true that Dr. Stearns urged that the influence of what he called the "jazz world" is not going to improve the texture that boys are made of, but his remedy was to purify the atmosphere with which the youth is surrounded, and in achieving this object he laid great responsibility upon the church. In so doing, however, he made it clear that the religion which appears to the boy as something of a mystery is not exercising that power for good upon his consciousness which religion properly conceived should exercise. "Boys," he declared, "will not be attracted to the church if they are taught dogmas and creeds." Hence he urged, "Give the boy the fundamentals of Christianity, and don't talk in terms of theology."

It is difficult to overemphasize the importance of this stand, for really there is no doubt that the average boy is tremendously in earnest in his heart about developing into a good and useful member of society. This has been lost sight of in many instances, unfortunately, owing to a false outlook which has been allowed to obtain regarding religion. Dr. Stearns asserted, and many feel the same way about it, that boys are not less religious than their fathers, but that they just have a different way of expressing their religious feelings. With one fact those who can look back a few decades and are willing to be honest with themselves should have little hesitation in agreeing, and that is that the youths of the present generation are, in many respects at any rate, fully as likely to be a credit to their fathers as these latter gave indications of being when they were youths.

## Editorial Notes

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE has determined upon a wise course in deciding, relative to America's war-time political prisoners, to refer the entire question to a committee. Moreover, by naming Newton D. Baker, General Harbord, and Bishop Brent as its members, he has insured that, no matter what conclusions they may reach as a result of their deliberations, the great majority of Americans will find themselves almost bound to respect them. It is earnestly to be hoped that, by adopting this manner of procedure, President Coolidge will avert much of the criticism which was directed against President Harding in this connection and at the same time will be enabled to demonstrate a policy of true justice as tempered by mercy.

ALL those who are responsible for the memorial being constructed in Manchester, Mass., designed to represent the truth about war in its most terrible aspects and to induce the public to rebel against its horrors, have shown, in breaking away from accepted ideas, commendable moral courage. So often these memorial productions seem intended to foster a feeling of the "romance" and the so-called glorious adventure of war and thus to stimulate rather than to check the tendency to war in the coming generations. The sooner war is robbed of all its glamour, the sooner will some action be taken which will put a stop to it altogether.

LOVERS of Dickens will be interested to learn that it was recalled, at the annual festival dinner of the News-vendors' Benevolent and Provident Institution, held recently at the Mansion House, in London, that the famous author took the chair at the similar meeting of the institution in 1849. It may be recalled that Dickens, who was at one time a reporter in the House of Commons, carried into his profession the kindly sense of brotherliness which characterized all his human relations. Incidentally he served as the president of the institution from 1865 to 1870.

## The Log of a Dry Journey

IF FACTS—just plain facts—were effective against the antiprohibitionists they would have been bombarded into silence long ago. But the strength of the wets, at the present moment, depends, almost wholly, upon their ability to walk straight into the face of facts and neither see, hear, nor heed them. One flask of booze, hip-pocket size, is touched by their magic wand, and lo! it looms up big enough to hide the fact of a prison or reformatory closed, or a home rebuilt for the lack of it. Wet propaganda today persists, regardless of the facts, and when the ground of truth is absolutely swept from under its feet, it still carries on, relying for its strength upon the frequency with which untruths or half-truths are repeated again and again.

Thirty-five thousand miles of facts—dry facts—are contained in a little volume recently published by the Victorian Anti-Liquor League of Melbourne, Australia. It is written by C. M. Gordon and recounts the prohibition adventures of his brother, Gifford Gordon, who, in 1921 and 1922, went exploring, up and down in the United States, in quest of the truth about prohibition. The book is a small one, but it contains no padding, not a paragraph of it, and is a simple recounting of what one man, not an American, saw of the effects of prohibition.

There is no denying, Mr. Gordon points out, that a considerable quantity of liquor is still consumed in the United States. But to contend, he says, that this quantity is comparable to that consumed in pre-prohibition days is to reveal an ignorance of conditions in both periods. "In 1917," he writes, "the people of the United States consumed 16,764,280,040 pints of alcoholic liquor, over 55,000,000 pints for every working day in the year, and about 160 pints for every man, woman, boy, girl, and baby in the Republic. Supposing 100 small smuggling craft were employed in smuggling this vast ocean of liquor into America, each carrying 1000 gallons per trip, and making one trip per day; it would take them over fifty-seven years to complete this job. It would take one such vessel 5700 years to do it." This indicates, again, the absurdity of the wet contention that as much—or more—liquor is being consumed in the United States, smuggled in by boats and automobiles, as before prohibition. And, recounting his own experience in America, before and since prohibition, Mr. Gordon concludes, "I do not hesitate to say that she has made a marvelous advance in sobriety and in all that sobriety means to a great nation."

One of the most significant of the constructive results of prohibition which Mr. Gordon discovered was in the prisons. Prisoners, themselves, realize its value. A prohibition referendum, conducted by the Prisoners' Relief Society in 322 prisons, revealed the remarkable fact that out of 134,321 prisoners who voted, 133,412 were in favor of prohibition and only 909 opposed.

Taking New York State as a fair sample of what prohibition is said to be failing to accomplish, Mr. Gordon points out that there are 350 penal institutions in New York State. On July 1, 1922, 104 of these prisons were empty and the remaining 237 prisons were reported as having 14,903 inmates. In the corresponding day of 1917, 252 prisons in the State reported a total of 17,494 prisoners. This represents a decrease of 21 per cent in the prison population of 1922 as against 1917.

The fact is, as Mr. Gordon makes clear, that, with the saloons out of the way, men are turning from week-end debauches to home building, and savings accounts, and education for their children. In the Boston courts alone—and such figures are available from many other American cities—the average number of neglected children for the seven years prior to prohibition, 1912 to 1918, was 206. The average for the two dry years of 1920 and 1921 was 88, showing a decrease of 118, or 57 per cent. Surveys indicate that school attendance, immediately upon the adoption of prohibition, showed a marked increase. Mr. Gordon has accumulated evidence from many sources which bear out the statement of Mr. James B. Forgan, chairman of the board of the First National Bank of Chicago, who declared that, immediately following prohibition, "a large influx of savings accounts was noticeable in our bank and, I believe, generally in other banks. The number of accounts has steadily increased, showing that the number of the thrifty is growing, and I believe that the absence of the saloon is largely responsible for this growth."

And while we hear of the joy-killer influences of the Eighteenth Amendment, it is interesting and significant to read that Mr. Thomas J. Hickey, president of the American Baseball Association, declared that "prohibition has been the greatest blessing baseball every enjoyed. The passing of the saloon increased our patronage wonderfully. Regardless of the merit of the Eighteenth Amendment, it was a great business booster for us."

Mr. Gordon's 35,000 miles was a fruitful journey. It served to make clear, again, just where the truth in the issue lies. And his survey leads to the conclusion that, finally, when such facts as these are driven home, the American people, wearied with wet fancies, will go the full limit to back the enforcement of the prohibition law.

## Siberia—A Land of Promise

SIBERIA, one of the last of the world's unexploited empires, is a land of promise. Current History declares that it "has long since ceased to mean little or nothing to the mind of Americans. With the sending to Siberia of the American expeditionary force as part of the Allied intervention of 1918, thousands became familiar with a country which before had meant nothing but squalid penal colonies and prolonged cold. Furthermore, with the return of those 12,000 men who are now scattered over the entire United States and engaged in all lines of business, the American public was brought into contact with many hitherto unknown and economically important facts. With the problems of Europe so prominent and so insistent of solution since the signing of the armistice, it is unnecessary to state that an interest in Siberia, based merely upon sentiment, would not have outlived the year 1920."

But first-hand information concerning the economic resources of this vast treasure house of the Far East created in the mind of the wide-awake American investor a permanent curiosity to know more. He has not yet forgotten that Siberia is one of the few remaining areas of the world abundantly endowed with natural riches, and at the same time little developed. With increasing concern he will watch the political and economic changes in this corner of the globe; and it is not improbable that the next twelve months will bring forth further developments of importance. In fact, Siberia may prove the back door through which two old friends will once again grasp hands.